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BRITISH PRECAUTIONS IN MEDITERRANEAN

Parliament Summoned By Premier

Fears Of Sudden Aggression

"Hands Off" Greece Warning

PREMIER CALLS PARLT.

LONDON, APR. 10.
GREAT BRITAIN HAS TAKEN URGENT NAVAL PRECAUTIONS IN THE MEDITERRANEAN.

It is understood that Mr. Chamberlain will announce in the House of Commons, which re-assembles on Thursday, that Greece and Turkey had been brought into the European peace front.

The Premier has recalled Naval and Air Force officers from leave, ordered British warships to leave Italian ports and summoned Parliament to meet.

THRUST FEARED

The advance of the Italians through Albania to the Greek and Jugo-Slav frontiers has aroused fears of a Fascist thrust through the Balkans.

The British Cabinet has decided to avoid a denunciation of the Anglo-Italian friendship pact, at least for the present, in an effort to prevent further strain on relations with Rome, and also, it is understood, because of the uncertainty regarding the future of Nationalist Spain in view of General Franco's recent moves favouring the Axis.

POSITION MADE CLEAR

Britain's attitude to Greece is that any Italian move there which will create a threat to British communications will bring Britain to defend Greek frontiers.

It is understood that diplomatic channels have made this British position quite clear to Italy.

It is said that the British guarantee to Greece is intended particularly to prevent important islands like Corfu falling into the hands of the totalitarians.

However, the British Foreign Office has denied reports that Britain had warned Italy against seizing Corfu or that they had advised Italy that such action would be cause for war.—United Press.

WARSHIP MOVEMENTS

LONDON, Apr. 10.

All units of the Mediterranean Fleet visiting Italian ports left on April 8.

They include the battleship Warspite, flagship of the Commander-in-Chief, which sailed from San Remo.

No official information is given regarding their destination, but it is explained that owing to the obscure situation in Albania, the withdrawal of the ships, which are on courtesy visits, would avoid embarrassment for all concerned.

The battleship Malaya, which has been stationed at Bombay, left there to-day for an unknown destination.—Reuter.

Leave Cancelled

Tangiers, Apr. 11.

All British naval forces from Gibraltar have been ordered to rejoin their ships, immediately.—United Press.

Malta Activity

MALTA, Apr. 10.—Costal and anti-aircraft defences at Malta carried out exercises which are officially described as "precautionary."

Officers of the Mediterranean Fleet and the Royal Air Force have been precautionarily recalled to their ships.

Simultaneously, the Fleet has been ordered to prepare for possible orders at short notice.

Civilian employees in the naval dockyard establishment have also been recalled to duty.—United Press.

Precautions Necessary

Paris, Apr. 10.

The morning papers in London and Paris have agreed that the strengthening of the Mediterranean forces is necessary but give no definite information as to what measures might be taken.

The "Petit Parisien" states that the British Government has taken note of the Italian assurances but "never-

The World's Big Navies

	BRITAIN	U.S.A.	JAPAN	FRANCE	ITALY	GERMANY
Battleships	12	15	9	5	4	3
Battle cruisers	3	—	—	—	—	—
Armoured ships	—	—	—	—	—	—
Aircraft carriers	7	3	6	2	7	—
Cruisers (8-inch)	15	17	12	7	7	6
Cruisers (6-inch)	45	14	23	11	14	14
Destroyers	159	45	66	59	48	—
Escort vessels	31	—	—	23	7	—
Anti-submarine ships	62	36	7	44	58	28
Submarines	46	27	44	78	79	24
Battleships	7	2	7	4	4	3
Battle cruisers	—	—	—	—	—	—
Aircraft carriers	6	3	27	—	—	3
Cruisers (8-inch)	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cruisers (6-inch)	10	5	27	—	12	2
Destroyers	30	39	7	5	19	15
Escort vessels	5	—	—	—	—	—
Anti-submarine ships	13	—	7	2	—	2
Submarines	18	11	7	13	20	187

Bitter Italian Attack On U.S. "Interference"

ROME, Apr. 10.

AMERICAN PRESS and official comment on Italy's action in Albania is sharply criticised by Signor Gayda, editor of the "Giornale d'Italia" to-day.

DICTATORS AND SPAIN

**Fruits Of Democracy's
Non-Intervention**

PARIS, Apr. 10.

The newspaper "L'Oeuvre" reports that General Franco, with German, Italian and Japanese representatives in Spain, has signed a secret military treaty under which "Spain placed all her naval and air bases at the disposal of the Axis."

The Axis has assumed all costs of the Goering-Gambra plan—the establishment of 60 miles of fortified zones behind the Pyrenees and the creation of certain strategic bases.

"Moreover, the Axis and Japan will assume the obligation to support General Franco's national territorial demands."

In Berlin and Rome it is said that the Axis demands would be for the possession of French Morocco.—United Press.

British Soldiers Die In Explosion

Jerusalem, Apr. 10.

Four British soldiers were killed, and two injured, when a landmine exploded under a military trolley which was travelling on the railway north-west of Lydda.—Reuter.

MOSLEM CONDEMNATION

LONDON, Apr. 10.—Leading Moslems at a meeting in London to-day demanded that Signor Mussolini renounce the title of "Defender of Islam," which he assumed after the Abyssinian conquest.

The meeting also urged that the Oriental Academy opened in Italy five years ago should be closed as a protest against Fascist propaganda in India, Egypt, and the East.

The meeting sent a deputation to the Italian Embassy to communicate these demands.—Reuter.

Britain And France Warn Mussolini

LONDON, Apr. 10.

THE LATEST EUROPEAN crisis created by Italy's invasion of Albania has resulted in Parliament's Easter recess being interrupted.

Parliament was originally scheduled to re-assemble on April 18, but "in public interest," says a "Reuter" despatch, both Houses have been summoned to meet on Thursday of this week.

"Reuter" adds that it is not expected that the sitting will last more than one day.

DIPLOMATS ACTIVE

**Britain Tightens
Naval Grip**

ISTANBUL, Apr. 10.

THE VISIT of the Rumanian Foreign Minister, M. Gafencu, to Turkey, which was originally planned for the second part of April, but which was suddenly advanced when Italian action in Albania was taken, was due purely to British initiative, it is declared in Turkish political circles.

Foreign Minister Gafencu, while in Istanbul discussed the Dardanelles agreement with the Turkish Minister, whereby British warships would be accorded unrestricted passage into the Black Sea, where Rumania has already promised England a naval base on the Rumanian coast.

An attempt is also said to have been made to gain Turkish support against Bulgarian demands for revision of the frontier. Turkey refused to support Rumania in this respect.

It is also declared in official circles that Turkey will avoid any Dardanelles agreement in order to prevent future complications, and to keep the political tension from becoming still worse.—Trans-Ocean.

Intense Activity

Bucharest, Apr. 10.

The return of the Rumanian Foreign Minister, M. Gafencu from Istanbul was followed to-day by intense diplomatic activity.

M. Gafencu received the Yugo-Slav Ambassador, and the French, Italian, and Hungarian Ministers.—Reuter.

Discussions In London

London, Apr. 10.

The Greek and Rumanian Ministers called at the Foreign Office during a (Continued on Page 4.)

BRITISH TROOPS MAY LAND ROME THREAT TO GREECE

LONDON, Apr. 10.

THE SPECIAL Cabinet meeting to-day is expected to discuss measures Britain will take if Greece is threatened as a result of the Italian occupation of Albania.

The extension of an immediate guarantee to Greece, it is understood, will be the principal topic of conversation, together with the despatch of British warships to Greek ports if Greece requests aid.

It is understood that preparations for such an eventuality were the main reason for Sunday's meeting at the headquarters of the Committee for Imperial Defence.

Greek Anxiety

It is understood that the Greek Government conveyed to Britain her anxiety about the 150 mile frontier on Albania, but especially about Corfu, which could be brought under gunfire from the hills of Albania.

Political circles express the belief that a British guarantee to Greece might include the despatch of British warships, with a possible landing of British troops at Corfu, which would thus serve as a base for the British guarantee.



Naval Visits Cancelled

Meanwhile, the Admiralty has cancelled a series of naval visits which were planned in the Mediterranean during Easter, including visits to San Remo, Naples and Sorrento.

H.M.S. Warspite, flagship of the Commander-in-Chief, Sir Dudley Pound, and H.M.S. Barham, flagship to the second in command, Vice Admiral Sir Geoffrey Layton, were originally due to spend several days at San Remo and Naples respectively.

Both have arrived, but they have already departed from Italian ports.

A division of destroyers was also scheduled to spend several days at Sorrento.—United Press.

Anglo-French Action

Paris, Apr. 10.

Opinion here is that no spectacular action to counter Mussolini in the Adriatic will be undertaken by Britain and France, but there will be an acceleration of diplomatic talks with London, aiming at obtaining consent from Greece for the utilisation of Corfu as a naval base.

It is learned that the British prefer a diplomatic "arrangement" with Athens for the use of Corfu, instead of open occupation, even with Athens' consent.

It is recalled that the Greeks gave Britain permission to use Corfu as a base during the Anglo-Italian crisis and at the time of the Ethiopian campaign.

The renewal of such an agreement would mean, in effect, that Britain would be able to maintain forces continually at Corfu and thus be ready to repel any attempt by Italy to seize the island, since the British agreement with Athens would evidently be part of a pact of assistance in the event of aggression.

Balance Of Power

While British diplomacy is concentrated on the strategic necessity of keeping the balance of power in the Adriatic, Britain and France have moved together in trying to secure (Continued on Page 4.)

ALBANIAN INVASION TROOP PLANES LAND IN INTERIOR AREAS

ROME, Apr. 10.

ITALIAN TROOPS are being landed in the less accessible towns in Albania by aeroplanes, it was revealed to-day.

Coritsa on the Yugo-Slav frontier was occupied in this manner, light Breda planes landing Grenadiers in a small field near the town.

Reinforcements also arrived by air at Tirana to-day, and it is reported that Berat, south of Elbasan, was taken over by the Italians to-day.

The territory now under Italian control includes the oil fields at Devoli, which were formerly under Italian supervision.

In recent years the Italians have bored 380 wells in this area, and production of oil has increased from 12,000 cubic metres in 1935 to 120,000 cubic metres in 1938.—Trans-Ocean.

**330,000
Reserves
Called Up**

Italy Increases
Standing Army

ROME, Apr. 10.

ITALY HAS called up the 1912 class and the first four months of the 1902 class reserves.

These classes aggregate around 330,000 men, thus bringing the total number of Italians under arms at present, excluding native troops, to about 800,000.

In a long, caustic editorial to-day, Signor Gayda criticises the United States because she "condemned Italian occupation of Albania."

He warns the United States not to meddle in European affairs, and to "mind your own business."

"The United States is not protected by distance," he warns.

Also he warned France not to believe for a single moment that Italy's national aspirations will be abandoned.—United Press.

Schacht In Bombay

BOMBAY, Apr. 10.—Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, former President of the Reichsbank, arrived here to-day in the course of his world tour.—Reuter.

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GIRL DID NOT KNOW OF HER £50,000 GIFT

IF Nurse Ada Ryan, aged 28, had not suffered, at 15, a disappointment which caused her to abandon hopes of a scholastic career, she would have missed the £50,000 legacy which was recently left her.

Miss Ryan, a charming brunette, had been out shopping all day. Not until she was shown a newspaper when she got home at night did she know of her luck.

"It is certainly exciting to return from shopping to find you have been left a fortune," she said.

As a girl at Ebbw Vale (Monmouthshire) Miss Ryan gained every distinction an elementary school could offer her.

Passing the secondary school entrance examination with ease, she went on to build up a brilliant record and planned to take up a scholastic career.

Educationalists prophesied a distinguished future for her.

Then the blow fell. Her mother was taken ill.

SACRIFICE

The slender income of her father, Mr. Jack Ryan, a garage foreman, would not permit the engagement of outside help.

There was no alternative but for 15-year-old Ada to leave the secondary school and sacrifice her future.

For 4½ years she was a devoted nurse to her mother; a capable house-keeper for her father and brother.

When her mother died it was too late to think of a scholastic career.

But her experiences at home had bred in her a fondness for nursing. She started in that profession by entering the Royal Infirmary at Huddersfield.

DEVOTION

For three years she studied; then took her certificate as a qualified nurse.

She joined the staff of a private nursing-home at Malmesbury. From there, four and a half years ago, she secured a post with Mr. Harold Gundry, a director of gas companies, at his home at Lindfield Gardens, Hampstead, N.W.

Two years ago she promised Mrs. Gundry on her death-bed to look after 77-year-old Mr. Gundry.

She did, faithfully and well, until his death last December.

He left £50,000, giving Nurse Ryan £20,000, "in grateful recognition of her services to my late wife and me."

"I had been out most of the day, and when I got back the maid asked me if I had heard of my luck," she said. "She showed me a newspaper, and for the first time I learned I had £50,000."

"It came as an awful shock to me. You see just before he died Mr. Gundry told me I should be provided for, but I had not the slightest idea I should be left as much as that."

"HOME OF MY OWN"

"I haven't had time to make any plans. I haven't even thought about what I shall do with the money."

"Isn't there perhaps something that you have always secretly wished to be able to do?" she was asked.

"No, honestly, there isn't," Miss Ryan replied. "I have always wanted a home of my own, and now I have one, for the house and everything is mine. I shall stay here, at any rate for the present."

Asked if she was engaged, Miss Ryan said: "Oh, dear, no."

"But," she added more seriously, "I'm afraid I may have a lot of that sort of thing, and they would scarcely be the right kind."

"I suppose some people would immediately dash off on a tour round the world, or something like that, if they suddenly found themselves with all this money."

"But not me; oh no, thank you. I have a horror of the sea. I dare not even go to Ireland, which I have always wanted to see, because I dread the crossing."

"I am not a pleasure-seeking girl, anyway."



Prominent first-nighters at the Federal Theatre's premiere of "The Swing Mikado," in New York, were Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Secretary of Commerce Harry Hopkins and Mayor Fiorello H. La Guardia, in happy mood above. Unique show is a WPA project.

Author Beaten By Gangsters

John Worby, ex-tramp and author of the successful best-seller "The Other Half," was beaten up by gangsters in London recently. He went to the Lambeth Hospital.

Worby has just completed his new book, "Spiv's Progress," in which he fearlessly exposes the gangsters of Britain, their terrorism, and the trickeries and rackets which are worked.

This book was awaited with great interest, and in some quarters with uneasiness.

Recently Worby was in a cafe in the West End with two friends, one a member of the firm of J. M. Dent and Sons, Ltd., the publishers of the book, when he was suddenly attacked by a gang.

With badly discoloured eyes (a stitch had to be put in the corner of the left eye), a swollen jaw, cut lips, bruises on the back of his head and on his body, Worby said:

"I was sitting in the cafe when the gang about a dozen strong, came in, caught hold of me and dragged me outside."

"When my friends attempted to interfere they were pushed roughly aside and told: 'It's this—we want.'"

"The gang got me on the ground and kicked me savagely. Only one used his fists. It's a wonder I'm alive."

Worby was taken to Charing Cross Hospital and he left after receiving attention. Later he became delirious and was taken to Lambeth Hospital where he was found to be suffering from slight concussion.

His book, "Spiv's Progress," will be published shortly.

EMPIRE NEWS

43 P.C. OF LOAN NOT SUBSCRIBED

CANBERRA.

Only £4,800,000 of the recent £8,500,000 Commonwealth 3½ per cent. 1935 Loan was subscribed by the public, according to an announcement by Mr. R. G. Casey, Commonwealth Treasurer. Underwriters were consequently called on to take up £3,700,000, or 43 per cent.

Mr. Casey said that the success of the loan had to some extent been affected by the fact that an amount of £10,400,000 had been subscribed in cash to the £71,700,000 3½ per cent. 1932-4 Conversion Loan of last December. Moreover, he added, the flotation took place at an unusual time.

1,383lbs Shark—A tiger shark, weighing 1,383lbs, and believed to be a world's record, was caught off Sydney.

NEW ZEALAND

LEISURELY DOCKERS CRITICISED

AUCKLAND. Mr. Webb, Minister of Mines, announced recently that a national conference of shipowners and workers would be held to consider plans for increasing the efficiency of work on the waterfront, with a view to reducing excessive costs.

He criticised the "inconvenient methods" of British packing, and the "leisureliness" of New Zealand workers.

If the conference were unsuccessful, he said, the Government intended to ensure, the provision of men and plant capable of effecting an improvement.

INDIA

EFFECT OF CONGRESS SPLIT

CALCUTTA. The resignation of Pandit Nehru, the former President, from Congress has been received in Bengal with considerable surprise, as it is said that his loyalty to Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose, the "Left Wing" President, had expected.

The task now left to Mr. Bose is unenviable. He is left to lead a Congress which is little more than a name.

It is generally expected that the resignation of Ministries in some States will follow, and thus Mr. Gandhi will take the wind from the sails of the President of Congress.

KENYA

OPENING OF TOURIST SEASON

MOMBASA. The tourist season has opened here with the arrival of the Cunard-White Star liner Franconia, 20,175 tons, with 200 passengers. Her itinerary is from New York to the Cape, and along the East coast to Australia.

On March 11 the German liner Columbus, 32,565 tons, which is to make a round-Africa trip, arrived here from New York.

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"Bombs" On A London Station To Test A.R.P.

The Paddington area was blacked out for three hours after midnight recently to test the arrangements made in Paddington Station to deal with air raids.

Because goods and other traffic had to be despatched, one platform had to be kept fully illuminated while the rest of the station was in darkness except for tiny blue lights.

Twenty minutes after the alarm had been sounded there was a loud report outside the station.

An imitation incendiary "bomb" flared away.

Auxiliary firemen ran up with a hose and sprayed "the station" with water near which the "bomb" had dropped, to prevent the fire spreading. The "bomb" itself was dealt with.

Then a red smoke flare broke into fire half-way up the building. Two

special fire engines, part of the station A.R.P. equipment, arrived.

Hoses were run out. Two escape ladders were run up to a roof. The firemen brought down dummies, where were placed on ambulance handcarts and rushed away.

Forty-five minutes after the warning siren the fully-illuminated platform was vacated by a departing train, and immediately the lights were extinguished and small blue lights took their place.

At 2 a.m. a huge white flare illuminated the whole of one end of the station. Another "bomb" had dropped. The fire and rescue squads again came into action. And so it went on for three hours.

Gamecock Rodeo Seen By Two Hundred

The twenty-one English men and women, their retinue of North Country bird handlers, and the survivors of the 148 gamecocks that fought to give them pleasure recently left Calais.

But after the last English bird had left the garage behind the Hotel Maurice, where he had fought, cockfighting went on. In the Galladrome, a covered courtyard behind a cafe not far from the hotel, there were eighteen more victims.

There were children around the ring. A chubby, fair-haired girl, aged eight, sucked a finger and stared at the birds.

On her face disgust and interest were mixed. A father lifted up his daughter so that she could see better.

The crowd were good-natured. Most of them lost money when Shining Sword of Calais, a magnificent white speckled bird, lay dead, beaten by a red unknown from St. Malo.

"Just bad luck, The Sword was the better bird," they said.

ROMANTIC NAMES

If the fighting got slow you could go into the cafe. They stamped a cock on your hand in ink so that you could get back without paying.

The birds were carried into the arena in linen bags. They were big barnyard roosters, much larger than the English fighting cock. Their spurs had been cut off and steel spikes, two-and-a-half inches long, clipped to their legs.

They had romantic names, like Roi d'Enfer (King of Hell) and Napoleon le Brave. When their owners lifted them from the sacks and took the cocks off their spurs the birds seemed gentle, but when one was held out to look at another he pecked viciously, like a snake striking.

The birds were put into the steel-netted ring. The colour of the mat on which they fought was red. Some of the cocks rushed instantly at each other. Others moved around looking for an opening.

But there always came a fierce rush, a flutter of wings as the birds reared up to strike with their spurs. They struck so fast that until they lifted you could not see their legs move.

After a few fierce struggles both birds would stop, exhausted, even if one or both were not fatally wounded.

SHOUTED INSULTS

The longest of fifteen fights took thirteen minutes, the shortest fifteen seconds. At the end of the thirteen-minute fight both birds, torn, bleeding, barely breathing, were apparently dying.

The crowd shouted insults, then roared applause as one slowly lifted himself, pecked at his opponent's eye, then leaped in the air and struck one steel spur clean through the other bird's head.

£2,000 Job Is Born

London County Council created a new £2,000-a-year job recently.

They agreed with members of the establishment committee that the council's architect needs an assistant.

The post is to be advertised, and will have a salary starting at £1,800 a year, rising to £2,000 in two years.

The assistant architect will deal with town planning and the designing of new London County Council buildings.

Alien Mosquitoes Invade Chelsea

Poisoned arms and legs, inflamed eyes, sleepless nights have been worrying hundreds of people in Chelsea.

They are caused by a plague of large mosquitoes.

One hundred and fifty residents in Lots-road, Tetecol-road, Upcarn-road, and Meek-street have petitioned Chelsea Borough Council to take action to rid them of the mosquitoes.

The Port of London Authority has refused to allow the creek at the rear of Lots-road to be sprayed with paraffin, so the Chelsea Council is searching for another preparation.

Mr. A. Ankers, a dairyman in Lots-road, said:

"I killed four mosquitoes in my dairy the other day. I have travelled widely and I know that they are not the usual English mosquitoes. They are even larger than the tiger mosquitoes which you get in the Gulf of Mexico."

"I don't think spraying will be any use. The creek needs dredging."

Mrs. G. E. Gilbert, of Tetecol-road, said that she had to stay awake on several nights applying fomentations to relieve the swelling of mosquito bites.



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LONDON'S SHELTERS ARRIVING

Less Than £8 Each To Household

SOME thousands of London's steel shelters arrived recently by rail, but the distribution to householders did not start till later, when much engineering work was begun in suburban back gardens.

The shelters were sent from the steelworks in parts with the sides, roofs and bolts and nuts in different wagons. The railway companies began to distribute them to the addresses supplied by the various councils after the parts have been sorted out at their goods depots.

Tottenham, Poplar, Hornsey, Bethnal Green and Islington received the first shelters. Consignments for other boroughs arrived later.

LESS THAN £8 EACH

Sir John Anderson gave a promise recently that there would be no profiteering by the Government in the sale of shelters to householders not on the free list.

"We will supply them at cost price," he said.

He could not at present give the actual cost of the shelters, but did not think it would be as much as £8.

When Sir John inspected one of the shelters at Charing Cross Underground station he sat inside for some minutes and later confessed that it was the first time he had been inside one.

Later, in the House of Commons, Sir John, replying to Mr. Doland (C. Batham and Tooling), said that until local authorities had completed their survey for the free distribution of the Government's steel shelters he could not indicate when supplies would be available for sale.

PLEA REJECTED

Mr. Lipson (Ind., Cheltenham) asked the Lord Privy Seal if he would consider providing steel shelters free to all who had undertaken obligations for national service.

Sir John Anderson replied that this would be a complete departure from the basis of distribution already announced and he could not entertain it.

A.R.P. precautions are responsible for just half of a supplementary estimate for £1,050,000 issued. The figure is £700,000.

It is expected that £750,000 will be expended during the year ended March 31 next to meet the cost of supplying steel shelters and materials for strengthening basements.

ESSENTIAL SERVICES

Two token provisions of £10 each are included in order to bring before Parliament the cost of approved special measures to ensure continuity of service by certain essential public utility undertakings in war time and the provision of grants in respect of emergency water supplies in London and other vulnerable areas.

On the credit side is £10,000, anticipated additional receipts from the sale of respirators.

Tension in districts around London which have been classed as areas from which the evacuation of school children should not take place was relieved by a statement from the Minister of Health.

In a letter to Erith Borough Council, the Minister said, "When the survey now being carried out is complete the Minister will be in a position to consider the possibility of extending the list of areas to be evacuated."

Erith, classed as a neutral area, was twice bombed during the Great War and is now making arrangements to evacuate its own children. A farm camp in the country is being bought.

Hammer In Family 100 Years

Beardstown, Ill.

A 100-year-old hammer, brought to this country from Denmark, is prized by Cyrus Christensen, Beardstown, whose father brought it to the United States when he left Denmark to avoid army service.

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SIX CLERGYMEN IN FAMILY

Six clergymen of one family will give addresses during Lent at St. Botolph's, Aldersgate.

They are the Vicar, Rev. W. B. Dams, his three brothers, Revs. A. E. Dams (late Rector of Henley-on-Thames), P. J. Dams (Vicar of Higham, Kent) and V. Dams (Rector of Wexham, Bucks), and two nephews, Revs. C. T. L. Dams, a minor canon of Windsor, and E. L. Dams, assistant curate at Chalfont St. Peter, Bucks.

Said the Vicar of St. Botolph's: "As I have hardly ever heard them preach, it occurred to me that it would be an interesting experiment."

New Einstein Theory

A new theory which he believes may solve the riddle of gravitation is announced in an interview by Prof. Albert Einstein, who is 60.

Einstein declined to divulge details of what he thinks may prove the clue to the long-sought single law explaining the structure of the entire universe and all the mysteries of matter and radiation.

"The layman," he said, "can at least realise one thing—that the pursuit of such a goal requires almost unlimited patience. Since the formulation of the general theory of relativity there has existed the problem of bringing under one unifying mathematical concept the gravitational field, the electro-magnetic field and material particles."

"Mathematical constructions for the unified field theory devised by me heretofore have not stood the test of experience. A year ago I discovered a new solution, and I am now engaged with two collaborators developing the results to a point where they could be checked by experiment facts."

Runaway Horse Crashes Into Crowded Surgery

PLYMOUTH.

A RUNAWAY van horse crashed through the window of a Plymouth surgery in which thirty-one women and children were waiting recently scattering them in panic and injuring two of them seriously.

The horse had taken fright some distance away, in Patna-place. Its driver, Alfred Millman, put on the brakes and tugged at the reins, but the van had gathered momentum, and it slid down the steep hill of Harwell-street.

A group of children were directly in the horse's path. Millman managed to pull it round into King's-street, but the van in turning swung the horse through the plateglass window of Dr. Ryall's surgery.

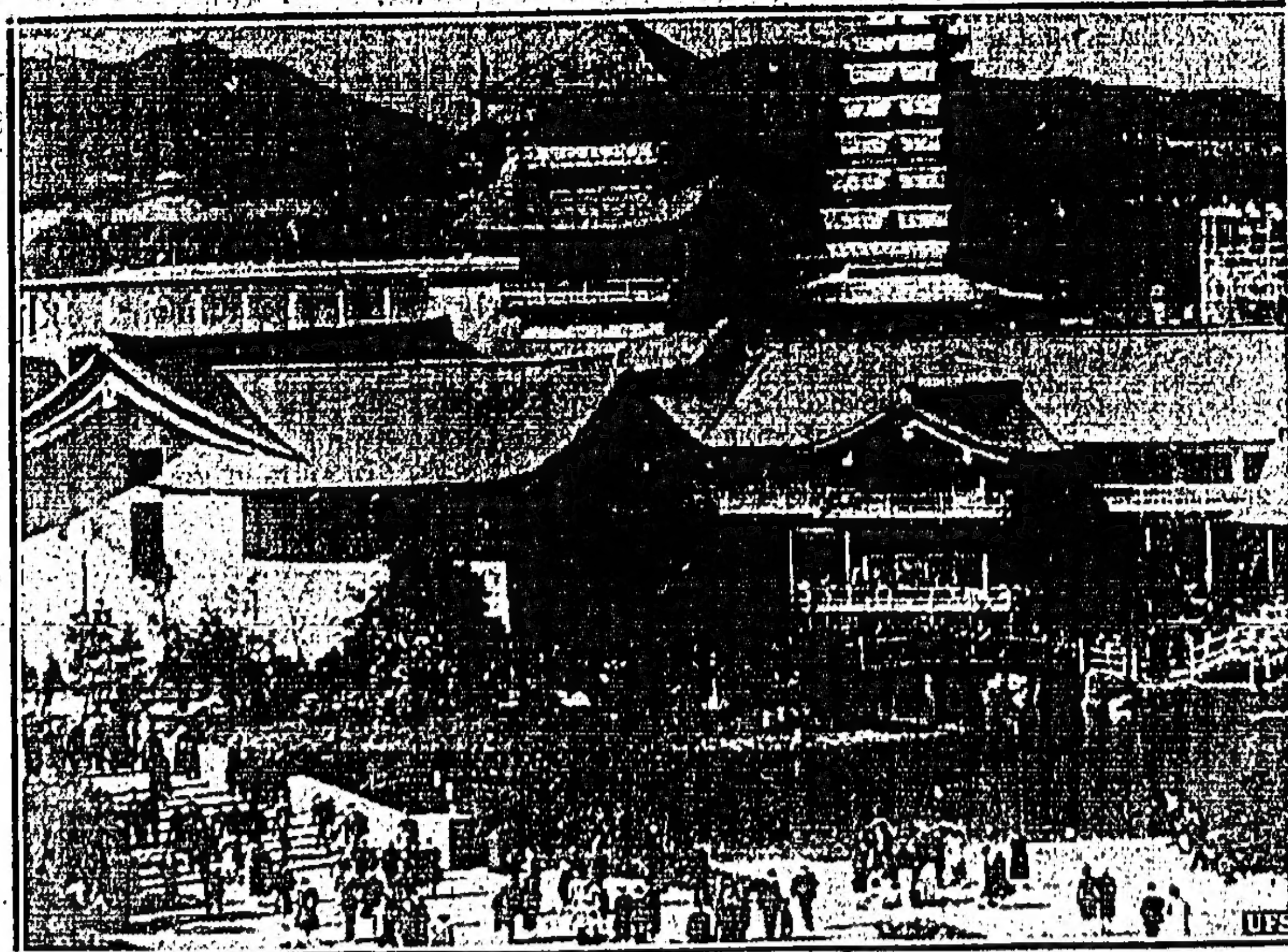
One of the patients, Mrs. A. Metchett, who was sitting with her back to the window, was struck by one of the hooves. Her shoulder was broken and she was badly cut.

THROWN 12 FEET Her sister-in-law, Mrs. W. Hine, was thrown twelve feet across the room against a partition, and injured by broken glass.

A piece of plate glass three-quarters of an inch thick and three feet square crashed on top of her baby's pram, but the child was uninjured.

Other women were hurled from their seats. As the horse stamped about they fought to escape into the inner surgery through a narrow opening wall.

They were trampling on each other when Dr. Ryall ran in from his consulting-room. "The surgery was a shambles," he said. "Several women had fainted, others had been cut by the flying glass."



Spanish Art Treasures Are Undamaged

GENEVA.

ART-LOVERS all over the world will be relieved to know that the masterpieces from the Spanish galleries, now housed in the League building, are in a perfect state of preservation, after having been stored in parking-cases for well over two years.

The committee of 12 experts have opened 100 packing-cases, of the 1,800 odd containing such priceless art gems as Velasquez's "Philip IV," "The Drunkards," and his marvellous "Christ on the Cross."

Other paintings, stripped of their oilcloth wrappings, as art experts of Britain, France, Spain and Switzerland watched with bated breath, are the "Maya" of Goya, which portrays the Duchess of Alba of those days dressed and undressed.

After seeing that these paintings were undamaged, the experts returned them back to the cases. Marvellous specimens, some of them designed by Goya, from the Escorial and the Royal Palace of Madrid, were also unpacked. They, too, are undamaged after running the gauntlet of Franco's bombs for almost two years.

AN INVENTORY

Other pictures unpacked are masterpieces of Murillo, Rubens, Ribera, El Greco, Titian and the three famous paintings of Raphael from the Prado Gallery. "The Portrait of a Cardinal," "The Holy Family," and the "Virgin and the Fish," all paintings beyond price.

The 12 experts, who have never seen so many art marvels collected under one roof, will continue their work for over a month, and will draw up an inventory of the treasures.

ARMED GUARD

Armed policemen guard the League Library, where the pictures are, and nobody is allowed to enter.

It is expected that the exhibition of Spanish treasures in the League building will not open until after Easter.

Admirals Call For More Destroyers

WHEN the Navy Estimates were considered on report in the House of Commons recently, Rear-Admiral Sir M. Suer (Con, Hertford) said he considered that to spend £70,000,000 on seven battleships was a waste of money. We should not be getting the right weapon.

He would sooner see some of the money spent on small destroyers and other small vessels for hunting the submarine.

Mr. A. P. Herbert (Ind., Oxford University) said that he served in the convoy section in the last year of the war, and he agreed that we wanted more destroyers.

Mr. Suer also emphasised the necessity for more smaller craft, and considered that a base at Milford Haven was essential.

STABILISING FACTOR

Mr. G. H. Shakespeare, Financial Secretary to the Admiralty, said the Anglo-German Naval Treaty had been a stabilising factor in naval disarmament, and had been of mutual advantage both to Germany and ourselves.

It must be said in all fairness that the treaty had been most scrupulously kept both by ourselves and by Germany.

If Germany denounced the treaty the Admiralty would be released from any obligation arising out of the scrapping of the Royal Sovereign.

He could only repeat that the 20 escort vessels they were building were more than the equivalent of two flotillas of destroyers. There were 43 destroyers on the stocks apart from the 20 escort ships.

The question of Pembroke Dock would no doubt be resurveyed in the light of changing circumstances in relation to the whole question of dock facilities.

The report stage was concluded.

Fifth Generations Of Boones

BUTTE, Mont.

The Daniel Boone family entered into its fifth generation when a son was born here to Mr. and Mrs. James Allen Boone. Boone is a fourth generation descendant of the famous Indian scout, trapper and Kentucky hero.

Acid Changed Foreign Eggs Into English

AN egg merchant was said at Oxford Police Court recently to have removed with sold the marks of origin from foreign eggs and to have sold the eggs as English new laid.

It was a system of fraud which the merchant, Dennis Crawford, Dorchester, Dorset, aged thirty-two, of Tidewell-road, Eastbourne, admitted.

He appeared on three charges of

obtaining 18s. 4d., £9 5s., and £10 2s. 6d. by false pretences at Oxford, asked for seventeen other similar cases throughout the country to be considered, and, was sentenced to nine months' imprisonment.

It was also alleged that eggs supplied to people by Woolley were short of the number invoiced and paid for. He had been using various names, it was said.

When he was arrested he said that he was "caught fair and square."

Charming spot at the Golden Gate Exposition on Treasure Island, San Francisco, is the Japanese Pavilion, built in ancient feudal mansion style and complete with gardens and pools. It has become an outstanding attraction to many of the fair's thousands of visitors.

Operation Remade Body

Although the lower part of his body was crushed under a lorry, 20-year-old Douglas Tucker, of Exeter-road, Muswell Hill, N., hopes soon to be able to dance and play tennis.

An operation—the first of its kind to be performed in England—has achieved this feat.

The operation which saved his life had been performed twice in the United States before it was attempted here by the doctors of the Royal Northern Hospital, Holloway, N., where Tucker was taken in December, 1937.

When he reached the hospital it was feared that he could not live. But the operation was begun at once and now, after many months in hospital, he is at home making rapid progress.

The operation, which consisted of rearranging the crushed bones and torn ligaments, was performed in eight stages.

One further operation will be carried out during the next few months and then Tucker will have virtually a new stomach.

Tucker said, "I can never thank the hospital enough. I am spending some of my spare time now organising raffles and whist drives for its funds. Perhaps I shall be able to run a dance and if I can dance at 'myself' my happiness will be complete."

An award of £850 to Tucker and £175 to his father was recently approved in the King's Bench Division as a result of the court action which arose from the accident.

Three Planes Fly Girl Home

MISS S. MURDOCH who arrived at Arosa, Switzerland, recently for a short holiday, found a telegram waiting for her at her hotel—"Return home at once. Urgent."

Miss Murdoch left for Paris at once by train, spent the night there and boarded a London-bound British Airways plane at Le Bourget.

The plane landed at Croydon an hour later, taxied to where a North Eastern Airways machine was warming up.

Miss Murdoch took her seat in the north-bound plane at once. As she was flying to Glasgow her brother left their home in Belfast by plane.

He arrived at the Renfrew airport a few minutes before the plane from London landed at 2.35 p.m.

He greeted his sister and led her into an empty office.

"Mother is dead," he told her. Brother and sister spent twenty minutes at the airport, then boarded a Scottish Airways plane specially chartered to take them to Belfast.

Sophomore On Faculty

Cleveland, O.

Svagnors Constantines, 21, not only is a sophomore at Fenn College, but a faculty member as well. Constantines, who enrolled at the college this year after spending his freshman year at Athens College in Athens, Greece, teaches the Greek language, free to all Fenn students and professors interested.

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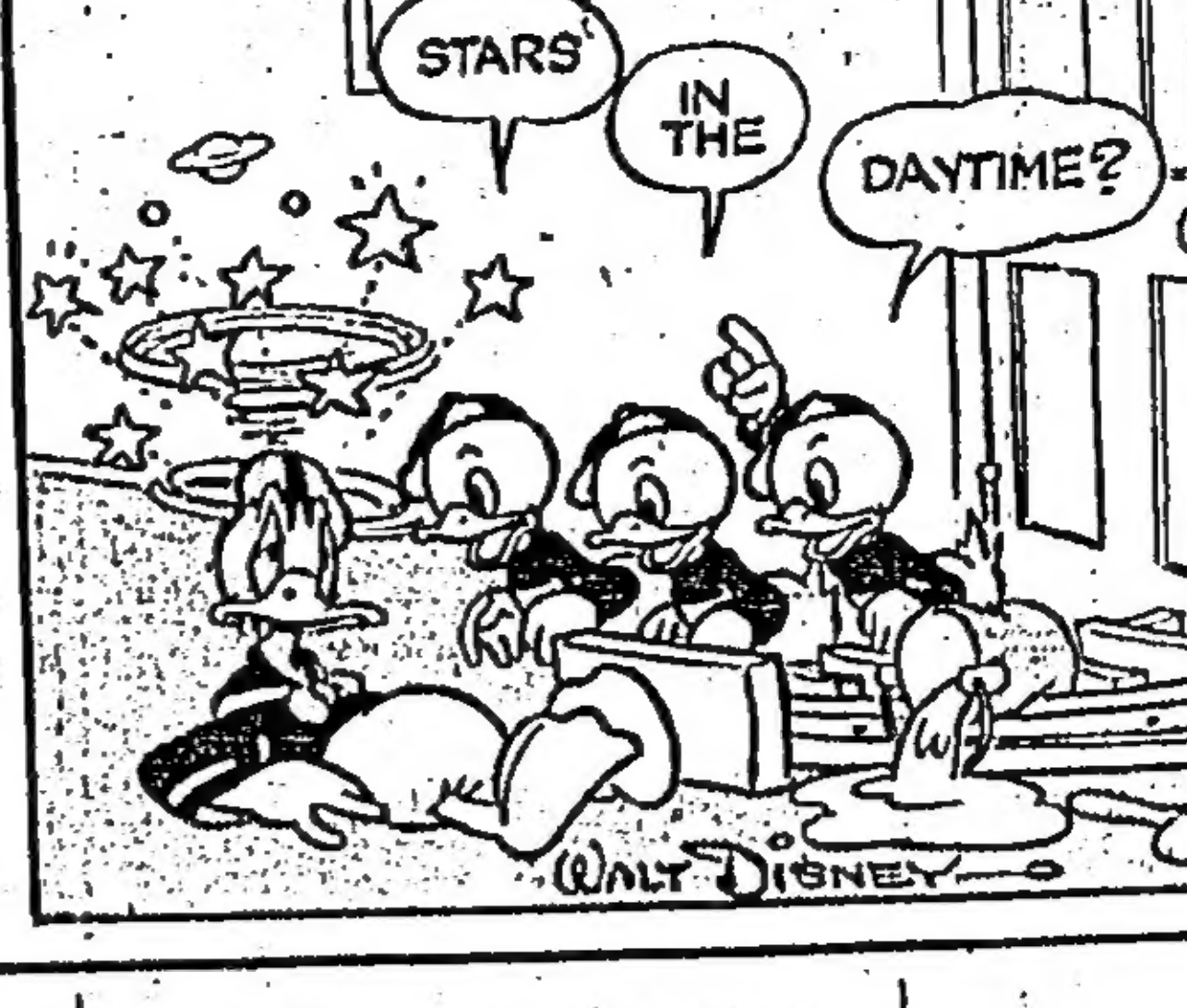
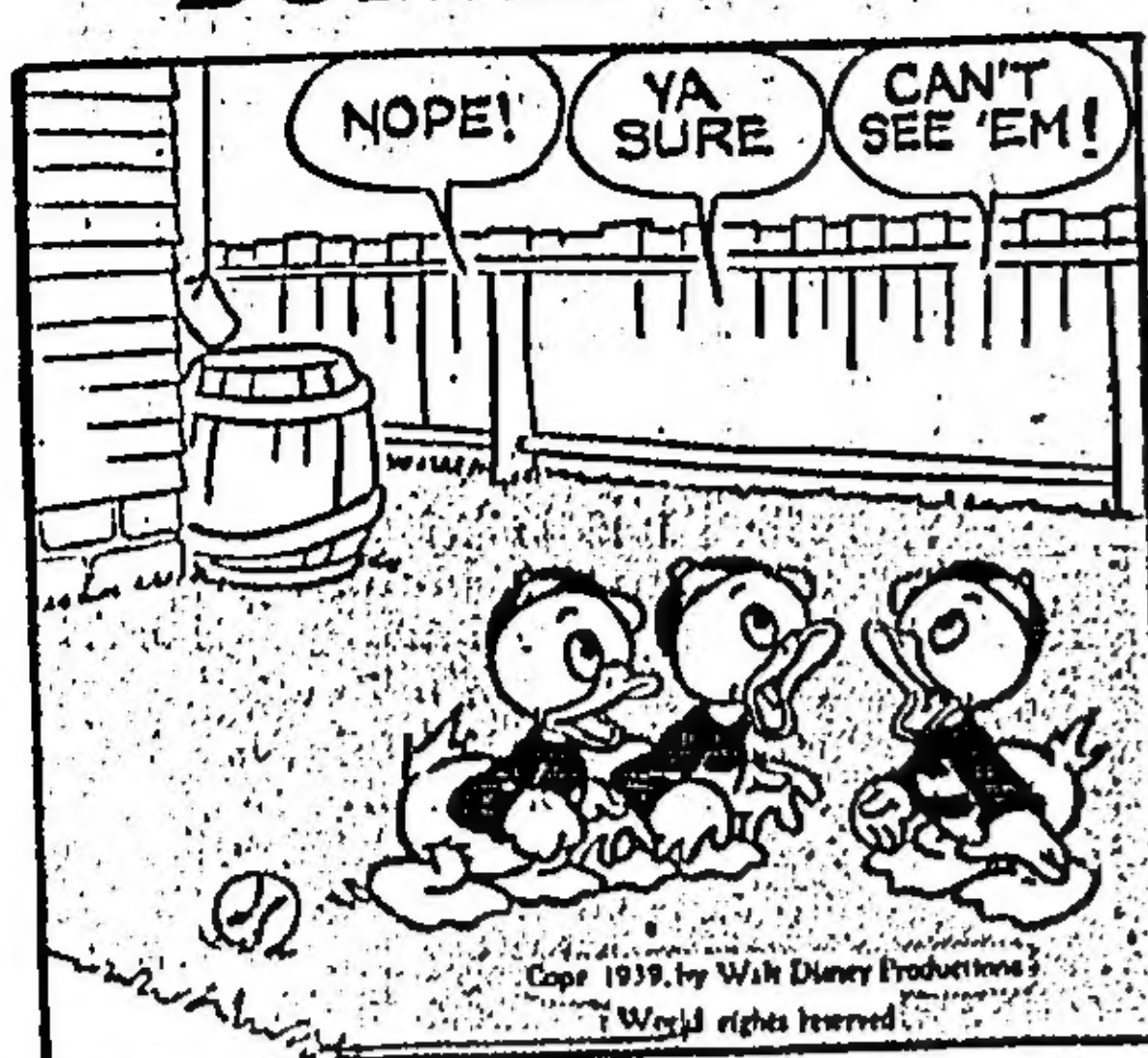
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OBITUARY
Sudden Death Of U.S.
Politician

Washington, Apr. 9. Senator J. Hamilton Lewis, Democrat, Illinois, died here to-night of a heart attack.

The Senator entered the Garfield Hospital this afternoon after returning from Chicago where he participated in the city election campaign.

James Hamilton Lewis was United States Senator from Illinois during the period covering the World War. Lewis, better known to the public as "J. Ham", or even plain "Ham", was a writer of distinction and an orator of force.

Lewis was born in Dansville, Virginia, on May 18, 1866. During the early part of his career he became conspicuous for a heavy growth of whiskers of an almost pink shade. He left Virginia immediately after graduation from the University of Virginia and went to the state of Washington, where he practised law in several northwestern cities.

Lewis served well and actively during the Spanish-American war, first upon the staff of General Brooks in Cuba and later upon the staff of General Grant in Porto Rico.

Lewis distinguished himself when he was appointed by President McKinley as special representative of the United States to Ottawa, to regulate the matters of the customs charges on the border of British Columbia and the Pacific northwest states.

His work on the Ottawa commission had been so successful that he was appointed to serve upon the commission named to settle the Alaskan boundary and kindred disputes.

In 1905 he moved to Chicago where he was to live during the greater part of the remainder of his life. Here he resumed his law practice, began in Washington state, and was chosen corporation counsel for Chicago in 1905.

He co-operated with Prof. A. H. Putney in the volume, "Laws and Decisions Upon Elections", and also "The Two Great Republics, Rome and the United States". For this latter work he was made a member of the Geographical and Historical Society of Paris. He is also the author of a standard work on international law.

In 1912 he was the unanimous nominee by the primary vote of the Illinois Democrats for United States senate and was elected to the senate by the legislature in 1913. He served in the senate for six years and because of the satire and stinging powers of his tongue and his influence he wielded within his own party was made party whip.

President Wilson nominated him by selecting him as a member of the International Conference for Law and Safety at Sea, assembled in London in January, 1914, just prior to the events which led up to the great war.

REFUGEE CHILDREN
Local Orphanage Inmates
Guests of Sir Robert

Sir Robert Ho Tung was host on Easter Sunday to over 250 refugee children from Hankow, now "mothered" by Sir Robert's daughter, Dr. Irene Ho Tung, the Director of the Orphanage.

Sir Robert welcomed the visitors, and encouraged them to do their best in their studies and make the most of their training, so that when they grew up they could be of the greatest service to their country and society. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves in the garden of Sir Robert's Peak residence, the most favoured spot of which was perhaps the swimming pool. The huge tortoise of perhaps a hundred years old, the monkey, and other animals, added great interest. Lunch and tea were served in the garden.

The orphanage is run by the National Association for the Care of War Orphans (Hongkong Branch), which is maintained entirely by voluntary contributions. There are three units of the orphanage, one at Yuen Long in the New Territories for children from Canton and the border of Hongkong, and two at the Old Government Children's Hospital, one of which specially caters for babies and kindergarten children. Altogether there are almost 400 children, who are not only housed and fed, but given an all-round education, with half a day for studies and the other half for manual training.

Fund Required

During the next few months an intensive campaign will be launched in an endeavour to put the Orphanage on a sound financial footing, and to raise an Endowment Fund. Many of the children may have to be supported for ten or more years. The Government has kindly allotted Saturday, April 22, for a Flower Day when the children, assisted by local school children, will go round selling over 10,000 flowers which they are making themselves.

On May 20 and June 3, two Children's Fairs will be held, one at Kowloon and the other at Sir Robert's residence. Admission tickets will be 50 cents each, and there will be a number of interesting attractions, including a Mickey Mouse cinema, a children's dress parade, one or two raffles, and perhaps a miniature zoo, pony rides, and slide shows.

Further particulars will be announced later, but already a committee of over thirty European and Chinese ladies are working hard on the preparations.

It is hoped that the street sale of flowers and the two fairs will be a thorough success, as the idea of helping to relieve the distress of China's innocent little sufferers and of training the future builders of a better China appeals to every one. It will be an opportunity for more fortunate children to assist those less fortunate.

Accusation
False
Juvenile Alleges Was
Beaten By Detective

Sentence of three months' hard labour and a recommendation for banishment was imposed by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday, in which a woman, Wong Nui, 36, was charged with their possession, and with making a juvenile carry them.

District Watchman 68, Leung Ho, said he saw a woman who was carrying a basket acting suspiciously in Connaught Road Central on Saturday, 27, unemployed, who was convicted of receiving a pair of gold earrings, and unlawful possession of two Jade Gongs at Wanchai on Friday.

Allegations had been made by a juvenile who was charged with the accused, that he had been beaten by a Chinese detective in order to make him say that defendant had asked him to commit the offence. These were refuted yesterday.

Detective-Sergeant T. Cashman said he had made investigations into the allegations, and had had Detective C500 pointed out to him by the juvenile as the man who had beaten him. The boy also said the detective had struck him with a stick. No found, and when sent to the Queen Mary Hospital for examination, the boy was found to be free of marks. The detective accused, said Sgt. Cashman, did not have charge of the case.

C500 said that he had never assaulted the boy. He admitted having questioned the youngster when he was brought to the Station. Witness had asked the boy if he had stolen the earrings, and the boy admitted doing so.

Defendant denied receiving or having possession of the earrings and jade drops, and declared that he was walking in the street when the boy snatched the earrings. The woman's victim then accused defendant of receiving. Defendant alleged that he had been assaulted, as well as the boy.

On the man's conviction, Sgt. Cashman produced a previous conviction for receiving against accused, and mentioned that he had also been sent out of the Colony under the Emergency Regulations.

WOMAN PUNISHED
Used Juvenile to Carry
Lottery Tickets

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BRITISH ATTITUDE
STIFFENS

(Continued from Page 7.)

Albanian "Appeal"

Rome, Apr. 10.

Wireless stations broadcast a speech at Tirana by the President of the Albanian Administrative Commission condemning the Albanian administration, which he alleged was bringing the country to the brink of civil war.

"Our only hope lay in the beloved Duce," he said. "You, Duce, have given us everything."

The speaker made an appeal to Duce to form an Albanian Fascist Party.—Reuter.

WARSHIPS FOR GREECE?

London, Apr. 10.

At a special Cabinet meeting to-day, the extension of an immediate guarantee to Greece it is understood will be the principal topic for discussion, together with the despatch of British warships to Greek ports if Greece requests such a move.

Preparations for such an eventuality was the main reason for Sunday's meeting at the headquarters of the Committee of Imperial Defence.

The Greek Government, it is understood, has conveyed to the British Government its anxiety about its 150 miles of frontier with Albania, but especially about Corfu which could be brought under gunfire from the Albanian hills.

Political circles therefore believe that the British guarantee to Greece might include the despatch of British warships with the possible landing of British troops at Corfu, which would thus serve as a base for the British guarantee.

Meanwhile the Admiralty has cancelled the programme of the Mediterranean for the Easter week.

No spectacular action to counter Signor Mussolini in the Adriatic or Mediterranean will be undertaken by Britain or France, but there will be acceleration of diplomatic talks, with a view to obtaining the consent of Greece to utilise Corfu as a naval base. It is understood the British intend to permit the use of Corfu instead of open occupation. Such an arrangement would mean in effect, that Britain will be able to keep the balance of power at the Adriatic entrance, France and Britain are moving together to try and secure closer collaboration between the Soviet and Balkan Powers. It is felt that Turkey and Russia together can effectively keep control of the Black Sea and the Dardanelles, no matter what happens in Rumania. At the same time the Greeks, despite a reluctance similar to that of Rumania and Poland to collaborate militarily with Russia, would be prepared to accept Soviet military help against an Italian-Bulgarian move to secure an outlet to the Aegean Sea for Bulgaria.—United Press.

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12.30 Raymond Newell (Baritone) and The New Light Symphony Orchestra.

Zampa—Overture (Herold); Romance (Tchaikowsky);... New Light Symphony Orchestra; Where's The Sergeant? (Longstaffe);... Raymond Newell (Baritone); with Orchestra; "The Dubarry"—Selection... New Light Symphony Orchestra.

1.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Rafe Da Costa (Piano). "Whoopie"—Medley (Kahn and Donaldson); "Monte Carlo"—Medley (Whiting and Harling);... The Night Club Kings; "Goodnight Vienna"—Medley; "Sunshine Stroll"—Medley;... with Harry Jacobson (Piano).

1.15 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.30 Dance Music. Slow Fox-Trot—Star Dust Covered Bundle; Fox-Trot—My Shadow's Where My Sweetheart Used To Be; Waltz—Moonlight On The Prairie (film song);... Joe Loss and His Orchestra.

1.40 Relay of the Rotary Tiffin Speech from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

2.15 Close down.

6.0 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

7.0 Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.02 An hour of Variety with Grace Fields, Arthur Askey, Charlie Kunz and Murgatroyd and Winterbottom.

8.00 Intro: Sympathy; You needn't have kept it a secret; If you're there; So Rare; Stardust on the moon; That old feeling... Charlie Kunz (Piano) with Rhythm Accompaniment; We've Got To Keep Up With The Joneses (Rutherford, Elliott); Winter Draws On (Haines, Harper);... Grace Fields (Vocal) with Orchestra; The Seaside (Frankau-Handley-Crick); Claret (Frankau-Handley-Crick);... Murgatroyd and Winterbottom; Two minds with not a single thought; Monte Crick at the Piano; I Stumbled Over Love—Fox-Trot... Roy Fox and His Orchestra with Vocal by Denny Dennis; Love, Forever I Adore You (Miller and De

Michelli); In Your Arms To-night (Lockton and Geck);... Ronald Murgatroyd (Tenor) with Violin and Piano; Waltz—Medley... Harry Roy's Tiger-Ragmuffins; Wolf! Yapi Bow-Bow-Wow! (Damerell, Tilsley); Have A Bit Of Pity On The Crooner (Askey-Barker);... Arthur Askey (Vocal) with Small Orchestra; La Corrida (Valverde); Serenata (Lants arr. Rudd);... Castanets Solo by Oscar Argente;... with Orchestra; "La Argentina" (Shelton and Brooks); Bebe D'Amour (Shelton and Brooks); Serge Krotkoff (Guitar); Tango, Della Rose-Tango... Serge Krotkoff and His Hawaiians; Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. D.8; Intro. The greatest mistake of my life; Let us be sweethearts over again; Ten pretty girls; Moon at sea; No more you; Wake up and live... Charlie Kunz (Piano) with Rhythm Accompaniment.

8.03 Albert Sandler and His Orchestra.

Fantasia On Irish Airs (arr. Jules Mulder); Where The Woods Are Green (Brodszky—arr. Weninger); Tell Me To-night (from same); Waltzes From Theatre-Land; Si Mes Vers Avient Des Ailes (Hahn). 8.28 Songs by Milliza Korjus (Soprano).

Bell Song ("Lakme"—Delibes); Orient's Prayer ("Lakme"—Delibes);... with the Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Bruno Seidler-Winkler.

8.37 Selections from Light Opera. "Chu Chin Chow"—Selection (Norton)... The London Palladium Orchestra cond. by Richard Green; "Florodora"—Vocal Gems (Stunt);... Light Opera Company with Oscar; "Dollar Princess"—Medley (Wall)... Nat Shilkret and His Orchestra; "The Chocolate Soldier"—Vocal Gems (O. Strauss)... The Columbia Light Opera Company with Orchestra.

9.15 London Relay—The News.

9.30 London Relay—Food for Thought.

9.45 London Relay—Sports News and Market Notes.

9.50 Songs by Theodore Challepine (Bass).

The Two Grenadiers (Schumann); Midnight Review (Gluck)... with Orchestra cond. by Eugene Goossens; Arise, Ye Sons of Russia (Folk Song); Song of the Needy Pilgrim (Neikrasoff-Mantlin)... with the Afonsky Choir and Balalaika Orchestra.

10.05 Tchaikowsky—Waltz from "The Sleeping Beauty".

Mark Weber and His Orchestra.

10.11 Tchaikowsky—Symphony No. 5 in E Minor, Op. 64.

New Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir London Ronald.

11.0 Close down.

GOODWILL FLIGHT

Japanese Monoplane On Way to Iran

Tokyo, April 10.

The monoplane Soyozhaz of the Japan Aviation Corporation arrived at Canton from Takuho at 11.35 a.m. to-day, finishing the second lap of its "goodwill" flight from Tokyo to Teheran, capital of Iran.—Domei.

Girl, 16, In Love With Ex-Convict

Ex-convict Harry Armstrong, 38-years-old manservant, of Seaford, Sussex, at the Old Bailey, recently was sentenced to death for the murder of his sweetheart, Peggy Irene Violet Pentecost, aged 16, of Brighton, in a Waterloo-road, S.E. hotel.

He smirked as Mr. Justice Humphreys said to him: "I am afraid you have brought to an end a bad life of which the jury knew nothing."

The jury knew Armstrong as a soberly dressed man, who told in a matter-of-fact voice of his movements—the alibi which failed—on the night of the murder.

But the police knew him as a man who had many previous convictions.

BARBARA GILMAR
May Give Another Recital In the Colony

Arriving from Shanghai by the Corfu on Thursday this week is Miss Barbara Gilmar, soprano, noted in Hongkong for her broadcasts for Z.B.W. and her recital in the Rose Room, Peninsula Hotel, in January. She has just completed an engagement at the Lyceum Theatre in Shanghai to sing in an oratorio. Accompanying her in the Corfu, en route to Bangkok, is Miss Mary Stewart, contralto, who has been appearing with Miss Gilmar in Shanghai.

Miss Barbara Gilmar will be staying in the Colony for a few weeks, and it is understood that she is likely to be appearing again before a Hongkong audience in May, if not earlier.

Serum Spray
Cure For 'Flu

Moscow.

Treatment of influenza by a new method—inhalation of a spray of serum developed from a horse—is stated to have given favourable results.

In the first mass experiments a group of employees of Moscow's Russia's biggest department store, in the centre of Moscow, inhaled the spray of this serum.

Another group was inoculated with the serum, which was developed from a virus grown under the skin of a horse after it had been exposed to the influenza germs.

MORE TESTS

The animal caught the illness, developed a powerful anti-influenza virus, and recovered.

After the experiment of inhaling the spray of the serum a second group of employees was organised to correlate results of tests on those inoculated.

Preliminary results are said to be extremely encouraging. Those given the serum were found to recover more quickly and to develop complications less frequently than those from which the serum was withheld.

In the British and American research on true epidemic influenza, as opposed to the "influenza cold" which is the commonest of ailments, the only susceptible animals have been ferrets and apes. For a horse to be able to produce an anti-serum it would also have to be susceptible. In this country the serum has been given by injection as distinct from inhalation.

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SIR STANLEY COLVILLE
Famous English Admiral Who
Had Active Career

London, Apr. 10.

The death is announced of Admiral Sir Stanley Colville.—Reuter.

Stanley Cecil James Colville, was born in February 1861, the son of the 11th Baron Colville of Culross.

Trained for the navy, he was in South Africa waters at the time of the Zulu war of 1879 and saw active service as a member of a landing force. He next fought in Egypt, taking part in the bombardment of Alexandria which followed Arabi Pasha's revolt, and also in the subsequent land operations which ended in the British victory at Tel-el-Kebir, the surrender of Arabi and the occupation of Cairo. Again in Egypt in 1884, he was an officer of the force which fought its way along the Nile and into the Sudan, but which arrived at Khartoum just too late to save Gen. Gordon.

Service ashore once more claimed him in Egypt in 1890 when he took part in the Dongola expedition and was severely wounded. He was then promoted captain. His duties thenceforward were confined to the sea.

In 1905 he was made naval A.D.C. to the King, and in 1912, when he had reached the rank of Vice-Admiral, he had been knighted, he was in command of the First Battle Squadron. Holding that command when the World War began, he was employed for the first two years on special service and also with the rank of Admiral took part in the operations of the Grand Fleet. In 1916 he was made Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth and held that command till the end of the war when he received the G.C.M.G.

The King then made him his first and principal naval A.D.C. and he held that post until he retired from

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Democracy and Religion

DEMOCRACY, assailed from within and without, is taking stock. In the process, those who believe it to be the finest form of government yet developed are discovering how essential a good God is to good government.

As the nature of democracy and of the attack on it became more apparent, the vital role of religion will be perceived. Ideally, democracy accepts man as spiritual, made in the image and likeness of God, capable of understanding the divine government well enough to be self-governed. It expects men to reflect in some measure the divine attributes of justice, reason, kindness, liberty, truthfulness, self-control. In so far as men fail to express these spiritual qualities, democracy fails.

Majority rule, the representative system, universal suffrage, free elections, free competition, equal rights, economic equality, constitutional forms—none of these will guarantee the success of democracy if the spiritual content is lacking. Any of these may be made instruments of tyranny unless the basic ideal of individual worth, independence, freedom, and perfectibility is retained. Materialistic concepts have always attacked this ideal. To-day two forms of materialism are particularly active. One looks upon man as merely an economic animal. A faulty Marxist interpretation of history is partly to blame for this attitude.

Now a fairer and better society should come out of an increased awareness of the way government has been abused for economic exploitation. And a happier and more stable society can be expected where men are free from economic injustices and insecurity. But too often to-day there is an ignorant and excessive emphasis on material and mechanistic motives. It teaches worker and employer, farm and factory, producer and consumer, to pursue a selfish separate interest when the larger interest of each is attainable only by co-operation. It tends to animality, hate and violence. It destroys democracy.

Another form of materialism's attack on democracy is extreme racism, a belief that man is merely a biological specimen, whose virtue, courage and honesty are determined by blood and soil. This combines with Fascism's mystical exaltation of the state to make the individual merely a material unit to be merged in a militarized mass for overcoming other races or states. Freedom of thought or speech cannot be tolerated in such totalitarianism. Worship of the state or of an individual symbolizing the state is substituted for Christianity. Persecution, intolerance, and hate become virtues.

Democratic peoples may recognize these forms of materialism most clearly in certain countries or ideologies. But they can find them operating among their own countrymen—if not in their own thought. And it is primarily in thought that they must be combated. It is historically provable that more spiritual concepts of deity have produced better men and better governments. Men governed by Christianity's code, men striving to express the attributes of a God who is Truth, Love and Principle, can hope to govern themselves successfully.

ITALIAN AMBITIONS IN ALBANIA

MUSSOLINI'S ambitions for a Mediterranean empire have long caused uneasiness in this tiny kingdom across the Adriatic, journalistically neglected and generally ignored in the clamour of greater events.

Officially, of course, there was no evidences of foreboding. Albania was recognized as an entity, firmly linked to Italy by a treaty which does not expire until 1947.

An even temper marked the country's five newspapers which are firmly controlled by a government that resolved, in the last analysis, down to King Zog himself. But one had only to converse with certain officials, both active and retired, as well as informed private citizens, to find ample evidence of nervousness.

CERTAINLY there had been no indication of Italy's intentions to increase its political ascendancy by actual territorial occupation until last week. What bothered the Jeremiahs of Albania was the recent sequence of Mediterranean events and the fact that the secret London treaty of 1915 has not yet been forgotten by fascist imperialists. There was the vague fear, now proved too well founded, that the Duce would no longer remain satisfied with the extensive economic and political influence he attained.

Boiled down, the events preceding the occupation were simply this: Italy made a great fuss about expanding, at the expense of France, along the lines of ancient Rome. Despite the undoubted prestige accompanying the fascist victory in Spain, she was able to produce no concrete territorial gains. Italian public opinion was aware of this. It could be assuaged, from time to time, by such fanfare circuses as Count Ciano's visit to Belgrade and it may have been completely satisfied by gains accruing from the Spanish enterprise. But the Albanians knew that theirs was a small and friendless nation; that it lies a scant fifty miles across the Otranto straits; that Rome has looked greedily East even since the Turkish empire decayed; and that choice and strategic sections of its coast would be gobbled up with great speed, small cost and little fear of precipitating a European crisis.

THE possibility of an Italian expedition hung as a sword of Damocles in many patriotic minds in Albania. Diplomatically, Albania was in a weak position. For many years after its *de jure* creation in the post-war treaties, it could always count upon the opposing interests of Italy and Jugo-Slavia to safeguard its independence. Both powers made it clear that territorial aspirations in Albania by each other would be regarded as inimical acts. However, the binding of a new friendship between Rome and Belgrade altered the situation. Fundamentally, Jugo-Slavia can never willingly agree to the Italian occupation of the mainland of the Balkan peninsula. But Albania could no longer play both ends against the middle. And, when Italy—with German approval—resolved to swallow a chunk of the Albanian coast, Jugo-Slavia could not dare not interfere.

THE London treaty gave to Italy full sovereignty over the island of Saseno, the port of Valona, and "a territory sufficiently extended to assure the defence of these points." It was also agreed that if an independent Albania were to be created, it would remain under Italian control.

In actual fact, the bulk of these particular concessions of



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1915 had been accorded. Italian occupancy of Valona, it is true, was ended almost two decades ago by an Albanian revolt. The patriotic song of the guerillas—"Vlora", another name for Valona—was forbidden to soothe Italian pride. Italy, nevertheless, retained the rocky island of Saseno and constructed a strong set of fortifications known as the "Gibraltar of the Adriatic."

Saseno was merely a barren isle where Turk shepherds grazed their flocks. It was of no earthly use to Albania, which had no navy. It did give Italy complete control of the Adriatic mouth and protection for her flat and indefensible Eastern coast.

Albania never formally recognized Italian sovereignty of Saseno, but what might have been a diplomatic stumbling-block was simply solved by glossing over. On Italian maps, Saseno was Italian; on Albanian maps it was Albanian. In Tirana the story was told that a package addressed not long ago to "Saseno, Italy" and arriving at Valona, was returned to the sender by Albanian authorities. But there is no doubt that Italy intends to retain her hold here, as she will in Albania itself. The reason is quite evident when, flying across Valona Bay—as the writer did—one can see the outline of the Italian coast forty-seven miles away.

The final point in the London treaty, as far as it concerns Albania, is that of Italian control over an independent state. Whether or not Albanians cared to admit it, this was a positive fact even before the invasion. And it is only fair to say that this had by no means been entirely without advantage. Rome did great things for Albania in the way of building roads, lending money, stimulating economic development and sanitary improvement; benefits which no other nation was willing to ac-

other lies between Elbasan and the Jugo-Slav border.

Both are handily placed to block Jugo-Slav interference with the landing of Italian troops at Durazzo.

Strong roads and bridges lead up to each chain. It should also be remembered that the Italian consuls at Scutari, Korce and Valona were all military officers.

Communications such as shipping, radio, and airlines are either completely or largely under Italian control; there are no railroads.

IN the field of internal politics, Italy also safeguarded her interests and there was a faction of influential persons, led by a general, which was openly and ardently pro-Italian. As is so often the case when great Powers play with puppets, there was considerable bribery. It is impossible to estimate the amount spent in this way. Likewise, it would not be discreet to name recipients of favours; it is sufficient to say they ranged up to holders of very high offices, according to well-informed but unconfirmable belief. A small Fascist movement was launched at Korce.

It is apparent that in its political activity Italy played an astute game. A powerful and rabble-rousing Italian speaker named Giro was employed by the Albanian government, at Italian behest, to "organize" the youth. Unofficially, it is widely known that Giro, one of the original Fascist "Squadron of Action" and an acquaintance of Mussolini, was ardently anti-Zog. Although he undoubtedly did his sincere best to aid the stimulus Albania's younger generation (despite the fact he speaks only Italian) he had a recognised political value in keeping the regime on tenterhooks.

The diplomatic interest of Italy in Albanian territory dates back to the days when Bismarck proposed to Rome that she abandoned her claims in the *terre irredente* and seek compensation across the Adriatic. In 1917, General Ferrero, leading an army of occupation, told the Albanians: "We are bringing back to you the civilisation of the Romans and the Venetians." In 1926, the Pact of Tirana signalled Italian aspirations for a sphere of influence (and, incidentally, caused the fall of a Jugo-Slav cabinet).

IT would have seemed with this many-tentacled control over a tiny nation that it would never be necessary for Italy to occupy a portion of it. But it was recognised that, in the event of a European war threatening, an occupation would result immediately. During the September, 1938, crisis much concern was raised about secret but authoritative reports that Italian troops had mobilised at Bari. Just four years before, Albania prepared to beat off what it feared was to be an Italian attempt to occupy Durazzo when war vessels appeared unannounced at the harbour; hasty defensive earthworks were actually thrown up.

What Italy will gain by actual control of Albania will depend upon the extent of her ambition now that she has occupied the country. Her action. (1) insures her strategic position in the Adriatic; (2) serves as a base for possible further Balkan penetration; (3) provides a certain amount of good farm land for her over-crowded peasantry; (4) acquires popular acclaim for the Fascist regime.

Within Albania there is not the mineral wealth that is to be found, for example, in Jugo-Slavia, but there are deposits of asphalt and naphtha near Valona; lignite around Tirana; Elbasan, Korce, Pogradetz and Tepeleni; copper near Puka and Korce; chromium near Pogradetz; lead in the northern districts; arsenic and cement near Scutari and Valona; and petroleum at Kuchova. Most of these are too far removed inland to tempt more than economic exploitation.

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OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

France

CABINET TO MEET TO-DAY

Paris, Apr. 10. It is announced that the Cabinet Council, which originally had been summoned for Wednesday, will be held to-morrow afternoon at 4 p.m. The Chamber's Commission for Foreign Affairs will hear on Wednesday the Government's official report on the international situation.

The main theme of conversation in political circles here continues to be England's loss of prestige.

The view is taken that under certain circumstances Britain might be prepared to go to war on behalf of Albania and Greece, although it declined to take up arms on behalf of Czechoslovakia last year.

In support of this view it is pointed out that maintenance of the balance of power in eastern Mediterranean, in which England is vitally interested, might be adversely affected by Italian expansion in the Balkans.

The totalitarian Powers, continues the paper, are aware of the importance of London and Paris in those regions and are profiting by it.

The whole of the press here is united in regarding the Italian occupation of Albania as advantageous for Germany.

The newspaper *Republique* observes that Berlin has already destroyed the two triangles of Rome, Vienna and Budapest and Prague, Bucharest and Belgrade, and is now about to speak dissolution of the Balkan Entente.

The Powers, according to the paper, must first and foremost supply war material in order to hasten consolidation of the only remaining south-east European bloc outside of Germany's orbit.

The attitude of Yugoslavia is generally regarded in political circles and the press here as open to question, but the diplomatic correspondence of *Le Journal* considers it doubtful whether the proposed Anglo-French organisation in south-east Europe, since Belgrade has lost confidence in British and French promises.

Moreover, according to the correspondent of the paper, it would be very difficult for the Western Powers to afford really effective assistance to Yugoslavia.—*Trans-Ocean*.

United States

Neutrality Bill Debate Continues

Washington, Apr. 9. In connection with the neutrality hearings, Administration supporters of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee indicated a growing belief that the United States public favours a policy designed to favour democracies versus totalitarianism in the event of hostilities breaking out.

Members of the Committee expected the hearings would continue in the third week and said that there is a growing acceptance of Mr. Bernard Baruch's statement that there is no such thing as real neutrality wherefore, there is an increasing willingness to consider proposals for furthering the United States own interests with measures calculated to economically aid non-aggressors.

It is said that the real issue of the hearings will be to convince the isolationists that this is possible without increasing the danger of being involved in war.

The Senators, generally, said that they believed the Gallup poll, showing 92 per cent. of the United States in favour of selling food and supplies to the British and French, and 66 per cent. in favour of selling war materials and supplies is highly accurate.—*United Press*.

Lindbergh Invited

Washington, Apr. 9. Representative Sol. Bloom, Democrat, New York, and acting Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, to-day sent a radio invitation to Col. Lindbergh to testify at the Committee's hearings on the Neutrality Law amendments.

Earlier, Senator Walter George, Democrat, Georgia, indicated that a similar invitation would be extended from the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee.

Senator Morris Sheppard, Chairman of the Senate Military Affairs Committee also indicated that his Committee would invite Col. Lindbergh to testify.

Some quarters here express the belief that President Roosevelt may advocate the Neutrality Law amendments, or authorise the delay of the entire programme if the strength of the isolationist bloc appears sufficient to radicalise the Pittman plan.—*United Press*.

School Attendance

MELBOURNE. Through a scheme originated by Lloyd's of London, Australian parents can now insure against loss of school fees and tuition when their children are absent as a result of illness. The plan has been installed here and at Sydney.

Peru Leaves The League

New York, Apr. 10. Peru has announced that it has given notice of its withdrawal from the League of Nations. It will, however, continue to co-operate with the League technical bodies such as the International Labour Organisation. Peru is the 10th Latin American country to resign from the League.—*Reuter*.

ROOSEVELT WORRIED BY EVENTS

Warm Springs, Apr. 9. President Roosevelt took a special train for Washington to-day.

It is understood that he is frankly concerned over the immediate threats of a world conflict.

The President is scheduled to confer with the Secretary of State on Monday.

"I will return in the autumn, if we don't have war," said the President to a group of friends on the departure platform.—*United Press*.

Important Decision

Washington, Apr. 10. During President Roosevelt's 10 day vacation the Rome-Berlin axis turned again and Albania disappeared, prompting the White House spokesman to assert that each totalitarian expansion further lessened the United States political safety and economic well-being.

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee are half way through their hearings on the Neutrality legislation, which expires next month.

The recommendations of the two committees and the final agreement between Congress and President Roosevelt on neutrality legislation, may prove as important as any single policy developed during six years of the New Deal.—*United Press*.

Russia-Japan

Protocol Of Fishery Agreement

Tokyo, Apr. 10. The Foreign Office to-day released for publication the text of the fishery protocol which was signed at Moscow on April 2.

"Whereas the term of the duration of the fishery convention between Japan and the Soviet Union signed on January 23, 1928, and prolonged by protocols signed respectively on May 25, 1930, and December 28, 1931, in the same year and on December 29, 1937, came to an end on December 31, 1938; and whereas a new agreement could not be concluded before December 31, 1938; the Governments of Japan and the Soviet Union hereby agree that the fishery convention between Japan and the Soviet Union as well as all the documents annexed thereto signed on January 23, 1928, shall remain in force until December 31, 1939.

In releasing the text, the spokesman of the Foreign Office announced that an Imperial sanction was granted on April 8 for the new agreement which was signed by the Japanese Ambassador at Moscow and the Soviet Ambassador at Tokyo.

The spokesman added that with all necessary steps having been taken, the present protocol was definitely come into force.—*Domei*.

ITALIAN CRUISER

Bartolomeo Colleoni On Visit to Japan

Tokyo, Apr. 10. The Italian cruiser Bartolomeo Colleoni arrived in Yokohama on Sunday. In a press interview, Captain Gonzaga Catallano emphasised the need for close co-operation between Japan and Italy.

At an official reception by the Mayor of Yokohama on Sunday afternoon, more than 600 prominent Japanese citizens attended.

The Emperor will receive in audience on Tuesday Captain Catallano and Commander Giovanni Olivio. During the afternoon, His Majesty will entertain more than 20 senior officers in the Shinjuku Imperial Garden.—*Domei*.

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?
epicurian equillibrist
dompsday doubtloon
Dolly Vardon craftic
Enjilish Oxford Dictionary
spellings of these words will be found on page 5.

BRITISH ATTITUDE STIFFENS ITALIAN ACTION AROUSES GRAVE EUROPEAN FEARS

LONDON, Apr. 9. WITH THE prospective British guarantees for the independence of Greece and Turkey awaiting formal approval at to-day's Cabinet meeting, Great Britain's resistance has stiffened in the teeth of the German and Italian bid for European supremacy.

Except in one quarter—Russia—the addition of the Greco-Turkish links to the chain around Germany has been strengthened by last week's Anglo-Polish alliance and is seen as narrowing the line beyond which Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini dare not venture without the immediate risk of war.

Instead of sharing the prevailing belief, a Soviet spokesman declared that the omission of the Soviet and Rumania from the anti-aggression alliance may be a deliberate hint to Herr Hitler that the corridor must be left open in his eastward advance to Soviet Ukraine, providing he abstains from war on the western European front.

By failing to invite Russia to join in the peace coalition, the Anglo-French, in the opinion of the Soviets, hope to tempt Herr Hitler into moving towards Ukraine.

The Anglo-French delay in allowing Rumania to join the anti-aggression bloc is cited as evidence tending to strengthen the Soviet theory.

A British spokesman, on the other hand, scouted the Soviet suggestion and argued that the guarantees of the French to Turkey, would be to Rumania's and Russia's detriment. He said that by bringing the Turks and the Greeks into the "stop Hitler" bloc, Great Britain would be preparing to defend the Dardanelles and the Black Sea, thus facilitating the protection of Rumania as well as safeguarding the communications with Russia in event of war, besides serving the obvious purpose of shielding the routes to India and the East generally.—*United Press*.

Cabinet Meets

A Cabinet meeting at 11 a.m. will hear a full report from Lord Halifax, Foreign Secretary, on all events since Thursday, especially concerning the Italian occupation of Albania, writes *Reuter's* political correspondent.

This is the first time that the Cabinet has met on a Bank holiday for several years.

The Cabinet will also consider the requests of Mr. C. R. Attlee, Leader of the Opposition, and Sir Archibald Sinclair, Liberal leader, made during a meeting of Ministers last Saturday, for recall of Parliament.

Feeling in political circles at present is that Parliament may be recalled by the middle of the week. An official announcement on this point is expected after the meeting of the Cabinet, which will be held under the Chairmanship of the Premier, Mr. Neville Chamberlain.—*Reuter*.

No Corfu Concentration

The Admiralty has categorically denied a report from aboard that the Mediterranean Fleet has concentrated at Corfu on the Greek coast line.—*Reuter*.

View of Times

According to *The Times* well-informed Italian circles consider that Bulgaria will be advanced on the diplomatic chessboard as an Axis pawn by the Axis, urging her acceptance into the Balkan Entente and then sponsoring Bulgarian demands for a free port at Salonika.

If this is done a corridor to the Aegean will be demanded, which unless effectively opposed by Britain and France would lead to a demand to Rumania to hand over Dobruja on the Black Sea.

The *Times*'s Washington correspondent reports that the official United States opinion appears to consider the Albanian episode as only the first of a series of grave events, and that a Danzig "crisis" is imminent.

The *Times* in a leader dismisses the Italian pretence that the invaders were invited by oppressed Albanians, and adds that one of the immediate motives was that "it was time for Italian pride to be gratified."

The *Times* leader considers that the invasion can only be for strategic reasons, in order to provide a bridgehead to the Balkans.—*Reuter*.

Ministers Cheered

The Cabinet sat for two and a quarter hours. As the Ministers left Downing Street they were clapped and cheered by large Bank holiday crowds which waited all morning, Lord Halifax, Mr. Horo-Bellsha and Lord Churchill were particularly cheered.

There will be a meeting of Ministers (not a Cabinet meeting) at 4 p.m.

Mr. C. R. Attlee, Leader of the Opposition, will see Mr. Neville Chamberlain at 2.30 p.m. and discuss the situation.

Present indications are that Parliament will be summoned to meet next Thursday afternoon, which will be preceded by a Cabinet meeting the same morning.—*Reuter*.

Twenty Present

All but two out of 22 Ministers were present at the meeting of the Cabinet. The absentees were Lord Runciman, who is abroad, and Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, who is indisposed.

Additional police were drafted to control the large crowds that watched the arrival of the ministers in the bright sunshine.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presided at the meeting. Captain David Marling, Chief Government Whip, attended for 20 minutes. His presence suggested that Parliament would be recalled.—*Reuter*.

ALBANIA NORMAL

Tirana, Apr. 10. A provisional government has been established in Albania with a cabinet of seven members headed by a former Premier, Djafer Ypi, who is respected both by Albanians and non-Albanian foreigners.

Albania, it is said, will be neither a colony nor a protectorate, but will have a purely Albanian government under Italian supervision.

Albania has returned to normal. Shops and cafes have opened and the streets are crowded, although in the hinterland approximately 12,000 Mohammedan mountaineers are reported to be continually sniping at the Italian columns which have now virtually completed the occupation of the nation.

Armed bands of Albanians have surrendered huge piles of pistols, rifles and shotguns which are piled in the courtyard of the Italian Legation.

Count Ciano, in his first speech to the Albanian people, addressed a delegation of notables at the air field. He said, "It is Il Duce's intention to give the people of Albania order, welfare and progress within the framework of their National life."

Shortly before leaving for Florina, King Zog, told *United Press* that he was continuing in Albania with our soldiers still holding some important towns. The Albanians are being attacked and are still fighting. They can only attempt to hold their own. The Royal Family have no plans beyond Salonika.

There are in Europe two madmen who are disturbing the entire world—Hitler and Mussolini. There are in Europe two dam fools who sleep—Chamberlain and Daladier.

"If the British ships at Corfu had fired only one shot, none of us would have had to flee."—*United Press*.

Crown for Victor

London, Apr. 10. The Rome correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* announces that a group of Albanian notables, headed by Chieftain Giono, offered the crown of Albania to King Victor Emmanuel, of Italy, in the name of the Albanian people before the occupation of Tirana.

According to the *Vece d'Italia*, Giono is the chieftain of the Mirdites, a northern Albanian tribe which professes the Roman Catholic religion.

King Zog, Queen Geraldine, and members of the Government proceeded from Florina by train to-day towards Larissa on the railway line to Athens.

An Athens message says that it is understood that King Zog and Queen Geraldine will leave Greece as soon as possible.

A communique from Tirana states that mechanised troops have occupied Argyrokastron, which is in southern Albania.—*Reuter*.

Steady Advance

Rome, Apr. 10. Italian troops continue to advance into Albania and have now occupied Argyrokastron, a few miles from the Greek frontier, and Berat, 40 miles south of Tirana.—*Reuter*.

Provisional Control

Tirana, Apr. 10. The Provisional Government, which is mostly composed of Christians, has issued a proclamation ordering Albanians to obey all Italian military authorities for the time being.

Besides M. Ypi, the remaining members of the Cabinet are Minister of the Interior, M. Zef Kadaria, Minister of Finance, M. Kosta Marko, Minister of Education, M. Perter, Minister for Foreign Affairs, M. Mihal Sherko, Minister for Public Works, M. Izedin Shiri, and the Minister of Economy, M. Llambi Alex.

Most of the relief work is still in the hands of the Albanian gendarmerie, which is co-operating with the Italian authorities.

The Albanian flag has been lowered from the Royal flagstaff at King Zog's old palace and at the new half finished palace outside the town and replaced by the Italian flag.

The Italian authorities claim that the Kucove oil fields, on which the Italians have expended more than 10 years of labour and millions of lire, has not been damaged, despite being left unguarded for nearly 48 hours between the evacuation of the Italian company staff and occupation by the military.

Albanian peasants leaving Tirana this morning by the Elbasan road, which passes the Legation quarters, were being searched for contraband arms by Italian soldiers patrolling the road.—*United Press*.

Koritzia Occupied

Rome, Apr. 10. Italian Grenadiers have occupied Koritzia, near the Greek border.

Signor Mussolini will probably delay his journey to Tirana pending the arrival of the ministers in the bright sunshine.

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Egyptian Scorn

Cairo, Apr. 10. The invasion of Albania is causing resentment among students at the Al-Azhar University, a number of whom attempted a strike in order to work up an anti-Italian demonstration.

The vernacular press reflects the Moslems' strong disapproval of Italy's action, and already there are signs of taras and thorns being sown in the totalitarian nations' propaganda in the Near East soil, especially in Syria and Palestine where Moslem disapproval is unanimous and Mussolini's claim to be the "Protector of Islam" is scornfully recalled.—*Reuter*.

China

N. Zealand Doctor Murdered

Canton, Apr. 8. Dr. O. L. Eaton, of the New Zealand Presbyterian Mission at Kong Chuen, seven miles north of Canton on the Canton-Hankow Railway, was shot dead by robbers last night.

The robbers broke into the mission to loot the refugee centre, where the inmates were not destitutes but were in the centre for protection.

The funeral of the late Dr. Eaton will take place to-morrow.

A poignant feature of the sad incident was the fact that Dr. Eaton was married only last December.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

Well-Known Figure

Doctor O. L. Eaton, was from Christchurch, New Zealand, and 33 years old. He was with the Presbyterian Mission at Kong Chuen. Three Chinese nurses gave blood for a blood transfusion in a vain attempt to save the missionary.

A Japanese guard, about 200 yards from the mission, was totally unaware of the incident until informed, although more than 20 shots were fired by the bandits.

The body is being brought to Canton for burial to-morrow.

The deceased was well known in South China and had been married only last Christmas.—*Reuter*.

TIENSIN MURDER

Tientsin, Apr. 10. Chen Lien-shih, local Director of the Federal Reserve Bank, was shot dead last night at a cinema which was showing "Gunga Din."

A Swiss engineer, Mr. Charles Glauser, was also shot dead as the assailant fired wildly at a Tartar named Mansouroff, who grappled with him. Mansouroff was sent to hospital and his condition is serious.—*Reuter*.

Domei adds that the murdered man, Chen, was Manager of the Tientsin branch of the Federal Reserve Bank and superintendent of the Maritime Customs at Tientsin. The incident occurred in the Grand Theatre in the British Concession.

United Press adds that owing to the constant gunfire in the film "Gunga Din," most of the audience did not realise the shooting tragedy, had occurred until the assassin had escaped.

Newly Appointed

Tientsin, Apr. 10. It has been revealed that Chen Lien-shih, who was assassinated to-day was the newly appointed Superintendent of the Chinese Customs.—*United Press*.

FERRY FARE EVADED

Man and Woman Fined For Offence

Saying that he had committed the offence because of financial depression, Li Tak-pui, 24, was fined \$15 by Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday on a charge of evading payment of ferry fare.

It was said that Li travelled from Mongkok to Hongkong, on Sunday, on board the ferry Man Chi, of the Yau-mat Ferry Company, and told a ticket collector that he had a monthly ticket. On a check being made, this was found to be untrue.

Pleading that she was a refugee and that she thought everyone could use a ticket held by member of the family, Lo Wai-chen, 20, a woman, also admitted a charge of failure to pay ferry fare. She had also travelled on board the Man Chi. A fine of \$15 was imposed.

Sergeant Brown prosecuted in both cases.

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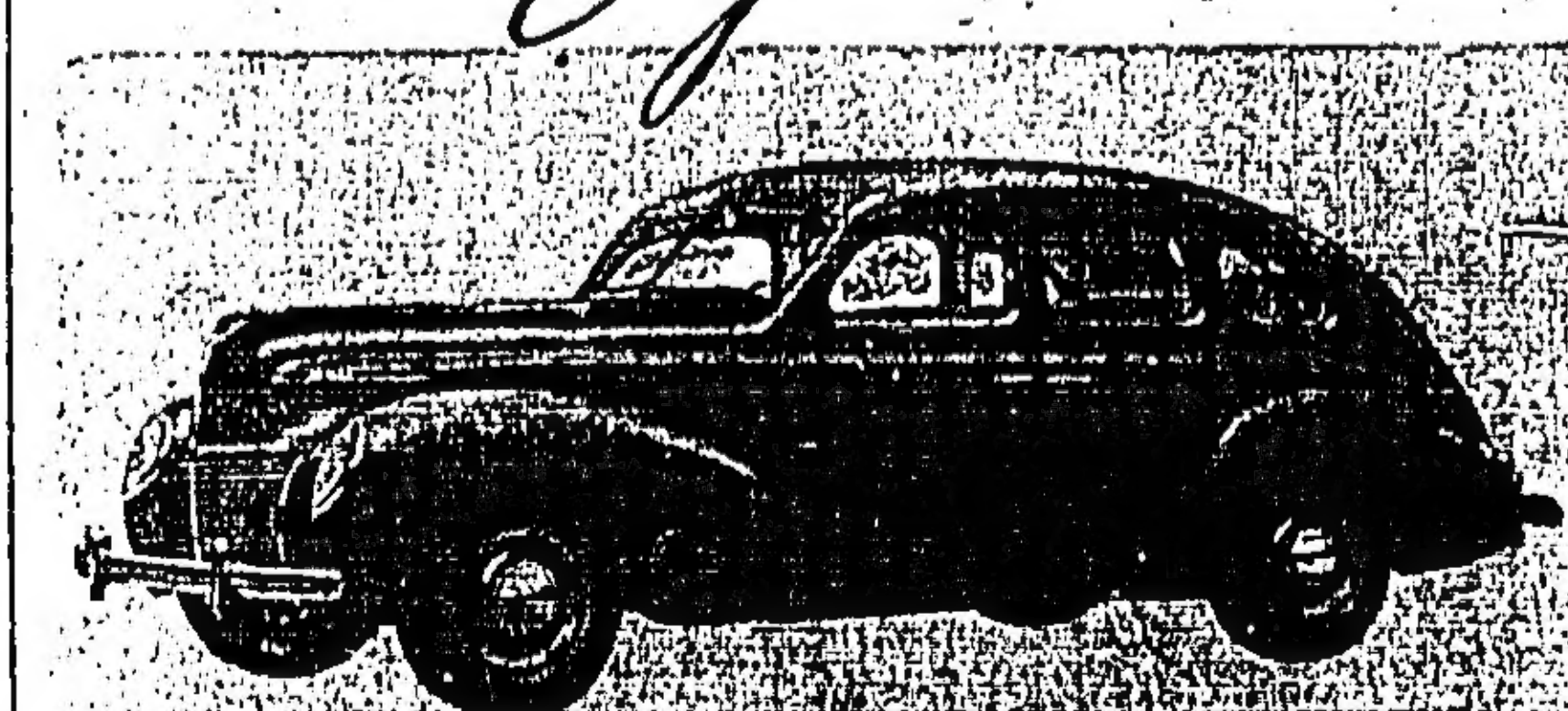
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YOUNG ARMY PLAYERS ACQUIT THEMSELVES WELL

INTERESTING KOTEWALL CUP SOCCER MATCH

SOUTH CHINA WIN BY ODD GOAL IN THREE

The Army's younger players, who were given their first taste of representative football in Hong-kong, acquitted themselves with credit yesterday in the second match of the Kotewall Charity Cup, though they could not prevent the South China A.A. from winning the encounter by the odd goal in three.

Still the Army men played well enough to earn a draw, and it was unfortunate for them that the final whistle blew just when they looked as if they would get on level terms. With so many young players taking part in the match, it was only to be expected that the exchanges were very fast, and if the play was not at a scientific nature, what was lacking in the finer points was made up for by the enthusiasm displayed by the participants.

Several changes were made in the Chinese team, many of the originally selected men being unable to turn out. Amongst them were Lee Wing-tong, Lau Hing-choi, Lee Kwai-wai, Mak Shu-hon and Pau Kan-ping, and in their places were Chan Tak-fai, Te Kam-hung, Kwok Ying-tee, Lau Mau and Cheung Wing-choi.

GOOD HALF BACKS

As the whole line was made up of junior players, the Army half-backs were watched with keen interest and came off the order very well indeed. While they did not combine as effectively with the forwards as well as did the Chinese intermediate players, their defence little could be found with them. They tackled quickly and resolutely and prevented the Chinese forwards from being dangerous on several occasions when nice movements were initiated.

Shaw, in the pivotal position, did not have an enviable task against the speedy Chan Tak-fai, but remained very steady throughout and not allowing himself to be flustered by the close inter-passing of the Chinese inside forwards. His two wing-halves, Rides and Guy, gave him good support.

But the Army man who caught the eye was Duncanson, in goal. Making many daring saves, sometimes right off the feet of the opposing forwards, he was daring in and out of his charge, timing his movements to a nicety. But for his display, the Chinese might have scored more than the two goals which they actually did.

The two backs, Fraser and Sheehan, did not give the Chinese much rope, but their time-taking being a feature of their play. Up forward, the form shown was variable. At times, the vanners played extremely well together; at others, some of the movements were spoilt by poor understanding and positioning. The finishing, too, was none too good.

EARLY PENALTY

The game started off in queer fashion, a penalty being awarded to the Army for hands against Lau Mau. Taking the kick, Saw easily beat Cheung Wing-choi to

give the soldiers an early lead. Then the Chinese took a hand in the attack, and only resolute defence prevented them from equalising. Nevertheless they kept up the pressure and were finally rewarded when Lau Shiu-wing shot into an empty goal after Duncanson had saved an almost point-blank shot from Chan Tak-fai. This goal seemed to revitalise the Army attack and Calvert had had luck with a splendid shot, taken on the turn, which just skimmed the bar. More bad luck was in store for the Army. Duffield, goalkeeper, possession, but meanwhile Calvert had run into an offside position and the point was disallowed.

In another breakaway, Chan Tak-fai gave the Chinese the lead, getting past two defenders before beating Duncanson. Towards the end of the game, the soldiers tried hard to get the equaliser. They were playing good football, but the Chinese defence held out right to the final whistle which was blown with Calvert in possession and seemed likely to score.

Teams:

South China.—Cheung Wing-choi; Lee Tin-sang, Lau Mau; Kwong Yung-kee, Leung Wing-chiu, Te Kam-hung; Tang Kwong-sun, Fung King-cheung, Chan Tak-fai, Lau Shiu-wing and Lau Tau-man.

Army.—Duncanson (R. Scots); Fraser (R. Scots), Sheehan (Middlesex); Rides (R.A.O.C.), Shaw (R.E.), Guy (R.A.); Emberson (R.A.O.C.), Courtney (Middlesex), Calvert (R.A.), Saw (Middlesex) and Duffield (R.A.O.C.).

Dorothy Round Returns To Lawn Tennis

London, March 16. Mrs. D. L. Little, who as Dorothy Round twice held the Wimbledon singles title, is to return to competitive lawn tennis. She will play in the Herga Harrow tournament in a fortnight.

It will be her first competition since the birth of her son, who is now nearly nine months old. Dr. Little said "Whether she takes part at Wimbledon this year will depend on how well she plays in the earlier tournaments. If she can find her old form I expect she will enter all the tournaments as in previous years."

Everton Almost Certain to Win Championship

BEAT SUNDERLAND IN HOME GAME: EASTER MONDAY SOCCER TIES

London, Apr. 10.

Everton made almost certain of the championship in the First Division of the English Football League to-day by defeating Sunderland by six goals to two. Though the Wolves, their nearest rivals, also won, Everton now need only three more points from their remaining four matches to be absolutely sure of clinching the championship.

Derby County's downward slide continued to-day when they were defeated at home by Portsmouth, the F. A. Cup finalists.

In the Second Division, Blackburn Rovers also consolidated their position at the top, with a home victory over Fulham by the odd goal in three, and, like Everton, are now almost certain of winning the championship. The following were the results of matches played:

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Bournemouth	2	Brighton	0
Bristol C.	1	Crystal Pal.	1
Cardiff	1	Southend	0
Exeter	2	Clapton O.	1
Ipwich	1	Queen's P. R.	0
Notts C.	4	Port Vale	0
Northampton	0	Swindon	2
Reading	0	Mansfield	0
Torquay	2	Newport	1
Walsall	2	Bristol R.	2
Watford	1	Aldershot	1

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Accrington	0	Doncaster	0
Barrow	0	Stockport	0
Barnsley	0	Charlton	0
Gateshead	2	Chesham	1
Hull	1	Hartlepool	0
Lincoln	1	Hull	0
Oldham	1	Lincoln	0
Rochdale	5	Crewe	0
Rotherham	1	Southport	0
Sheff. Wed.	3	Darlington	0
York	4	Carlisle	0
Bradford C.	3	New Brighton	3

FIRST DIVISION

Arsenal	2	Blackpool	1
Birmingham	0	Liverpool	0
Chelsea	0	Charlton	0
Derby	0	Portsmouth	1
Everton	6	Sunderland	2
Leeds	3	Manchester U.	1
Middlesbrough	3	Leicester	1
Preston N.E.	2	Brentford	0
Stoke	4	Bolton	1
Wolves	2	Aston Villa	1

SECOND DIVISION

Blackburn	2	Fulham	1
Manchester C.	0	Bury	0
Norwich	1	Coventry	1
Plymouth	0	Tottenham	1
Wednesday	1	Millwall	4
Southampton	0	Luton	0
Swansea	1	Tramere	0
West Brom.	0	Notts Forest	0

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Clyde	4	Third Lanark	1
Queen's Park	1	Celtic	2

IRISH LEAGUE

Ballymena	5	Newry	1
Bangor	0	Portadown	0
Belfast	0	Glenorm	0
Cliftonville	4	Coleraine	0
Down	1	Larne	0
Distillery	1	Linsfield	0
Glenavon	3	Ards	0

—Our Own Correspondent.

Sydney Preparing For M.C.C.

Covered Stands Being Erected

London, Apr. 2.

There will be some changes in the appearance of the famous Sydney cricket ground when the M.C.C. team visits Sydney next year. Plans are now being prepared for the erection of a covered stand, 400 feet long and eighty feet wide, on "The Hill." The proposed stand will replace the existing shilling stand on the hill, but it will not interfere with the grassy slope, regarded as the real "Hill," and spread to Sydney barrack.

With this addition and the members' new 500,000 stand, the trustees of the ground expect to be able to provide accommodation for all who want to see the English team in action next year.—Reuter.

AUSTIN OUT FOR TENNIS TITLES

Dates Of Tournaments Make Things Difficult

London, Mar. 30.

Keen followers of the game in England are becoming more and more of the opinion that there ought to be some get-together on international lawn tennis fixtures. Bunry Austin, when asked if he meant to play in the French Championships this year replied: "Why yes." It was then pointed out that the French Championships end just one week before Wimbledon begins, and he looked a little shaken. There is no doubt Austin has set his heart on having a real go for both the French and British championships this year, and in a field which has gone somewhat thin on top, it is not positively bald, he has almost a favourite's chance. Austin usually does very well at the Stade Roland Garros, Paris, but stepping straight on to Wimbledon turt from a hard court different from any in England is enough to upset any player.—Reuter.

S. AFRICAN RUGGERITES DEFEATED

Berlin, Apr. 10.

The South African Rugby team, which is touring Europe, played its first match on German soil to-day in Hanover against a team from Lower Saxony.

Displaying excellent team-work, the Germans defeated the South Africans by 8-3.

At the end of the first half, the score was 3-0 in favour of the South Africans.

From Hanover, the visitors will go to South Germany, playing at Frankfurt, Stuttgart and other places.—Trans-Ocean.

Rugger Matches At Home

London, Apr. 10.

The following were the results of Rugby Union matches played in the country to-day:

Aberavon	18	Devonport	0
Bath	3	O.M.T.	0
Bristol	7	Coventry	11
Cardiff	9	Northampton	0
Cardiff	9	Harlequins	0
Gloucester	6	Salce	0
Manchester	13	North of Ireland	0
Neath	25	Nuncheon	0
Newport	11	London Welsh	6
Plymouth	0		
Albion	12	Leicester	10
Swansea	13	Barbarians	0
Waterloo	16	Birkenhead	0
Warrington	22	Dolphin	0
Warrington	22	English Combined Universities	0
Weston-Super-Mare	3	Mosley	20

—Reuter.

Famous Club May Retire From League

London, Mar. 16.

Yeovil and Petters, Southern League's famous Cup fighters who drew with Sheffield Wednesday in the F.A. Cup this season, may be forced to retire from professional soccer.

Mr. Stanley Gates, chairman, stated that unless there is a substantial increase in the League gate the club must withdraw from the Southern League and revert to amateur status.

"If Yeovil is forced to revert to resign from the Southern League it will be very difficult to get back again," he said.

Receipts from League games since Yeovil were knocked out of the Cup are lower than they were four seasons ago, when a public appeal was made to save the club from extinction.

Army Association Football Cup

London, Apr. 10.

At Aldershot the Ninth Field Regiment, Royal Artillery, won the Army Association Football Cup to-day, beating the 2nd Battalion, Durham Light Infantry in the final.

Army Boxing BROTHERS AGAIN WINNERS

London, Mar. 4.

Last night's Army and Territorial championships, at the Royal Albert Hall, provided two more triumphs for the fighting Murdochs, writes Orion.

Both these officer brothers from the Federated Malay States—they are nephews of a former A.B.A. champion—retained their titles.

The elder brother, 2nd Lieut. F. H. Murdoch (5th Royal Tank Corps), disposed of 2nd Lieut. J. D. L. E. (1st H.L.I.) in one punch—0 right to the head—with the middle-weight championship again.

In the welter-weight final, however, 2nd Lieut. B. Murdoch (2nd Lines) was given a hard fight by 2nd Lieut. J. F. White (2nd Royal Warwick).

As is usual when soldiers get into action, knockdowns were frequent, but Pte. W. Routledge (9th Middlesex) must have thought he was receiving more than his fair share of them.

PLUCKY LOSER

Opposed by the veteran Pte. Tom Worton, in the fly-weight final, Routledge took no fewer than seven counts in the first round, yet he refused to quit.

In fact, the Londoner stayed the whole three rounds and well deserved the ovation accorded him as the most gallant loser of the evening. It afterwards transpired that Routledge remembered nothing of the last two rounds against Worton.

A record that is never likely to be surpassed was put up by the giant Lieut. A. H. V. Luke, R.A., who carried off his Territorial Officers' heavy-weight title for the seventh consecutive year.

Pte. George Spears (Dorset Regt.), taking part in his last Army championship before returning to civilian life, gave his usual vigorous display and again carried off the Other Ranks' super-weight title.

Spears' opponent, Cpl. Edwards (2nd King's Regt.), put up a good show before being outpointed, but was never allowed to make proper use of his superior reach.

RESULTS

ARMY OFFICERS
Lightweight—2nd Lieut. A. B. van Someren (R.A.) bt. Lieut. P. Rogers (1st Royal Regt.).
Light-heavyweight—Lieut. J. C. F. McCarthy-Morrish (R.E.) bt. Capt. J. M. Calvert (R.E.).
Welterweight—2nd Lieut. B. Murdoch (2nd Lincolns) (holder) bt. 2nd Lieut. J. F. White (2nd Royal Warwick).
Middleweight—2nd Lieut. F. H. Murdoch (4th Royal Tanks) (holder) bt. 2nd Lieut. J. D. L. E. (1st H.L.I.) in first round.
ARMY OTHER RANKS
Flyweight—L. Cpl. Golborne (R.A.S.C.) bt. Cpl. Loveless (9th Lancs) in first round.
Bantamweight—L. Sergt. Franchetti (R.A.) bt. Sergt. W. Fisher (R.A.S.C.).
Featherweight—Sgt. Inst. G. Reynolds (A.P.T.S.) (holder) bt. Cpl. H. Whitehouse (R.A.S.C.).
Welterweight—Cpl. S. Kirkbright (2nd Buffs) bt. Pte. R. Blake (2nd The Buffs).
Middleweight—Cpl. G. Brown (1st Grenadier Gds.) bt. Trooper C. Hinton (Ryl).
Heavyweight—Cpl. G. Griffiths (1st Grenadier Gds.) bt. Trooper C. Hinton (Ryl).
T.A. OFFICERS
Welterweight—2nd Lieut. H. P. Hollander (Royal Artillery) (holder) bt. Lieut. J. Edgell (5th Queen's Royal Regt.).
Middleweight—2nd Lieut. J. D. Puddy (4th Green Howards) bt. Lieut. D. Puddy (4th Green Howards).
Heavyweight—2nd Lieut. A. R. V. Luke (5th A.A. Regt. R.A.) (holder) bt. 2nd

Racing Favourite Defeated At Kempton

London, Apr. 10.

At Kempton to-day, the present Derby favourite, Foxborough II, starting favourite at 6/4, was unplaced in the Coventry Three-year-old Stakes over one mile.

The result of the race was:
100/8 Southport
5/21 Lemnau
3/1 Rogerstone Castle has been entered for the Derby.
Sixteen ran in the race. Two lengths separated first and second, and a short head second and third. This was Foxborough's first defeat.—Reuter.

A. J. HOLMES WILL AGAIN CAPTAIN SUSSEX

London, Apr. 2.

The prospects of the Sussex County Cricket Club are distinctly promising, but the bowling will have to improve. This was the keynote of the report of the committee presented to the annual meeting in Brighton.

Mr. A. Miller-Hallett, re-elected President for the third successive year, stressed the importance of the election support by the public, especially in this, the centenary year. Mr. W. N. Riley, a member of the election committee, said that the fielding was pretty good, but in his opinion might be improved. He considered John Langridge was an England "number one" and he hoped the authorities would give him a chance.

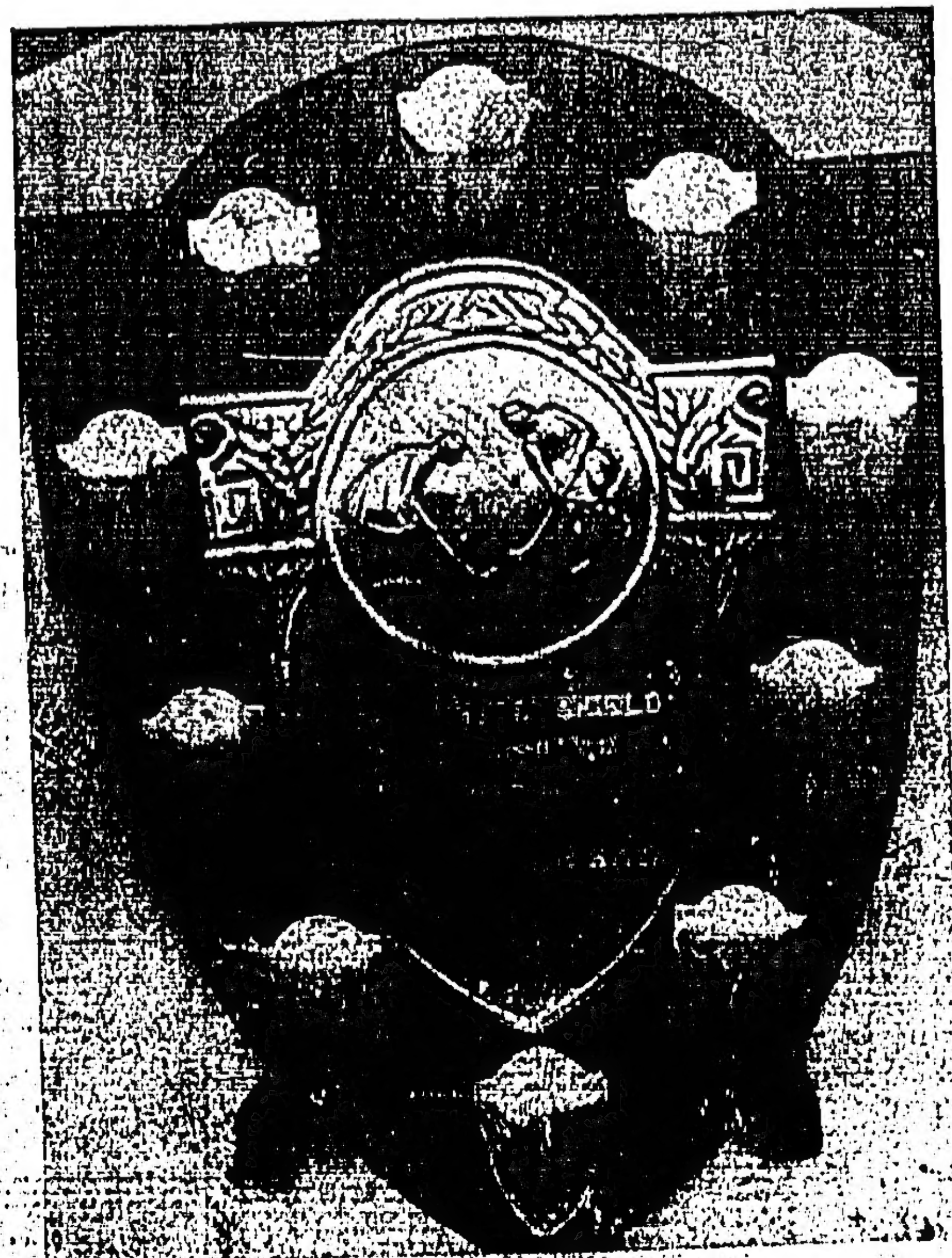
Mr. A. J. Holmes will again Captain the team this year and it is hoped that Mr. H. T. Bartlett will again be available.—Reuter.

BRILLIANT GOLF BY A. D. LOCKE

Durban, Apr. 10.

A. D. Locke, the young South African golfer, won the South African Open Golf Championship with a record aggregate of 279 for 72 holes, finishing in a record round of 67. His four rounds were 69, 69, 74 and 67.—Reuter.

Lieut. J. Wilson (Liverpool Scottish).
Fly-weight—Pte. T. Worron (56th A.T. Regt. R.A.) (holder) beat Pte. W. Routledge (9th Middlesex).
Bantamweight—Gunner E. Cronk (51st Field Brigade R.A.) beat Signaller F. Graham (51st Divisional Signal).
Featherweight—L. Cpl. W. Wignall (9th Middlesex) (holder) beat Sergt. W. Lewis (3rd Div. R.A.S.C.).
Lightweight—L. Bombardier R. V. Parkinson (51st Field R.A.) (holder) beat Pte. J. McLoughlin (40th R.T.C.).
Welterweight—Pte. J. Cawley (40th R.T.C.) beat Gunner A. Anderson (70th Field R.A.).
Middleweight—Gunner R. Elliott (51st Field R.A.) beat Pte. A. Galt (5th Middlesex).
Heavyweight—Cpl. J. Venterton (9th Leicesters) (holder) beat Pte. J. Mac-



The White Shield, emblematic of women's hockey supremacy between Shanghai and Hongkong, will be brought back to the Colony by the Hongkong team now in Shanghai. The Hongkong Ladies have been very successful in the present visit, having won all three matches played.

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WOLVES ARE MIRACLE CLUB OF FOOTBALL

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London, March 17.
A hundred thousand pounds in the till from the transfer of players these last four years, and still remains a team of youngsters good enough to bid for The Double Event—Cup and League. That's the Wolves.
The Miracle Club of Football. No other term, at the moment, fits them.
If they lose both Cup and League, their record will still be unique in football annals.

No club has ever shown such capacity for producing players, and the marvelous thing about it is that the supply seems unending. Their transfers have been without parallel in the history of the game, yet their team is maintained at such strength that they were second in the League last year, now are rampant, and still can bring ahead youngsters, like Mullen, to fill the gaps.
It's no fairy story. The Wolves' balance-sheet tells the facts. Between May 1935, and May 1938, they transferred players to these values:

1935-6	£24,000
1936-7	£25,070
1937-8	£10,475

Since May, 1938, they have transferred Brian Jones to Aston Villa (£14,000), Thompson, his supposed successor, to Sunderland (£8,000), Barlow to Portsmouth (£5,000), plus Kirkham and another player to Bournemouth.

So the total for under four years is, as near as matters, six figures.

SOCCER FACTORY

Over 50 players have poured out of the Wolves' football factory in this time, and it is not a case of buying and selling, as they produce—as distinct from purchasing—to supply their own team-needs.

Well-known players, too. Men like Phillips and Iverson (to Aston Villa), Rhodes (Sheffield Wednesday), Richards (Brentford), Laking (Middlesbrough), Brown and Ashall (Coventry City), Cecil Shaw (West Bromwich Albion), etcetera, in addition to those already named. Ten of them have had honours in international, inter-league, or international trial games.

A hundred thousand pounds from transfers in four years, and now going strong for The Double—it's a football miracle.

VANDEBILT BUILDS NEW YACHT

Sailing In British Regattas

Mr. Harold S. Vanderbilt, the finest helmsman in the United States, three winner of the America's Cup, is to race his new twelve-metre yacht in the British Royal Regatta next season. The new yacht has been designed by Sparkman and Stephens, who were responsible for the lines of the "J" class Ranger, easily the fastest yacht of her class ever built. A series of models of the new "twelve" were given the most exhaustive tank tests before the final model was chosen from which the new Vanderbilt racer will be built.

The record time of two months has been allowed for the building and finishing of the new American "twelve," as Mr. Vanderbilt insists that she must be delivered early in April, so that he can sail intensive training trials before shipping her to England in the middle of May. The yacht will be 70 ft. L.O.A., 45 ft. L.W.L., beam 11 ft. 10 in., 9 ft. 0 in. draught, with a lead keel weighing 35,000 lb.

British yachtsmen are building a fleet of four international twelve-metre racing yachts to meet Mr. Vanderbilt's challenge. Two of these yachts are being built in English and two in Scottish yacht yards. Mr. T. O. M. Sopwith and Mr. Arthur Connell are having their new racers built at Gosport, while Sir William Burton and Mr. Hugh Goodson have given their orders to Clydes yards.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7)
epicurean—domesday—Dolly—Vanderbilt—doubloon—erratic

A. D. HUMPHREYS WINS SHANGHAI VISITORS' CUP

The Shanghai Visitors' Cup was won by A. D. Humphreys, Jr., with the good score of 107-26, 141. The second round of 80 was a very good one and he was out in '37, or out over par.

Conditions were on the whole pleasant, but there was a very strong wind and with the grass beginning to grow the greens seemed to trouble players more than they usually do.

Subject to re-check, leading scores were:

A. D. Humphreys (13)	74 & 67=141
W. C. Sheehan (10)	72 & 74=146
D. L. Propert (14)	70 & 76=146
D. L. Edwards (4)	70 & 76=146
J. Harrop (10)	74 & 72=146
E. T. McMillen (6)	70 & 76=146
H. Burton (10)	72 & 74=146
T. Low (13)	70 & 76=146
Col. G. Gowland (20)	71 & 75=146
Col. W. Williams (13)	71 & 75=146
G. M. Park (6)	70 & 76=146

Propert wins the prize for the best morning round and McMillen for the best afternoon round, the tie with T. Low being decided on the last nine holes.

Hole in One

Mrs. Eldon Potter, playing with her husband, holed the third on the Relief Course at Fanning in one on Friday, April 7.

Olympics

BRITAIN APPEALS FOR FUNDS

Plans for raising money for Britain's participation in the Olympic Games in Finland next year were discussed at the annual meeting of the British Olympic Association. It was stated that £8,000 or £9,000 would be required, and Lord Forth, the president, Lord Burghley, Lord Aberdare, and Sir Noel Curtis-Bennett were among those who made suggestions as to the best method of launching an appeal.

Lord Forth referred to the fact that Britain's application to organize the 1944 Games would be considered at the next meeting of the International Olympic Federation Congress in London on June 5-8. "There is no question that the Games can be held in London in the way that they were intended to be organized—as a really fine sporting show," said Lord Forth.

COURT OBEYED

COLUMBIA, S. C.
Elbert Hall, arrested on a charge of being drunk, pleaded for mercy before the judge and swore to leave town "on the run" if given his freedom. "Very well," said the judge. "Take it on the run." Hall then sprinted out of the court room, and was reported still running near the city limits.

EARMUFFS CUSHION

CLEVELAND, O.
Frank J. Breen, 62, reports a good thing to have on your head when somebody tries to slug you with a blackjack is a stocking cap with earmuffs. Breen told police he was slugged twice one night by robbers who escaped with \$35. He said the padding of his earmuffs prevented serious injury.



One of the best scenes in "You Can't Take It With You," the best picture of 1938, now showing at the King's Theatre. Millionaire and poor man are thrown into prison for disturbing the peace.

Rifle Shooting

Alterations For Annual Prize Meet

Owing to unforeseen heavy entries for the Annual Prize Meeting of the Hongkong Rifle Association, the following alterations have been made to the programme:

Saturday, April 15

Shooting will commence on all Ranges at 8.30 a.m.

The President's Cup will commence at 9 a.m.

The Secretary's Cup will follow immediately, approximately 10.30 a.m.

Final of Individual Service Championship will follow immediately, approximately 11.30 a.m.

The lunch interval will be from 12-1.30.

The Council Cup will commence at 1.30 p.m.

The Army and Navy Cup will follow immediately, approximately 3.15 p.m.

Sunday, April 16

The Blackdown will commence at 8.40 a.m.

The Camberley will follow immediately, approximately 10.20.

The Bagshot will follow immediately, approximately 11.45.

(X) The Blackdown is brought forward from Monday and will commence at 2.15 p.m.

The "Veterans" Etc. will follow the Blackdown at approximately 4.15 p.m.

The International Match will be fired concurrently with the Blackdown and Camberley. Any number of teams may be entered and must be declared before firing commences. Team Cards will be obtained from the Chief Executive Officer's Tent any time after 12 noon on Saturday. These must be handed in to the Statistical Tent by 5 p.m. on Sunday April 16.

Note:—S. R. (a) "M" Competitors have been squadded on No. 3 Range for the following competitions:
Bagshot 11.45 on April 16.
Blackdown 2.20 on April 16.
Brookwood 9.00 on April 17.
Siberia 10.30 on April 17.
Unlimited Competitions have therefore been restricted; range and times for these will be published on notice boards on the Ranges.

ENGLAND PROBABLES LOSE TO KUMAONS

A fast and exciting game, ruined by the bumpy nature of the ground, was witnessed at King's Park yesterday, when the Kumaon Rifles beat the England Probables eleven in which changes were made during each half, by 3 goals to 2 after sharing two goals at the interval.

Kumaons had a decided advantage in that they played as a team, where the England Probables were eleven individuals, although there were occasions during the second-half when the halves combined very effectively with the forwards.

Bond was probably the most effective of the four backs on display, while Dillmot, at right-half, gave a superb display of spoiling against the powerful Neraln Singh-Parthub combination, and in the second half had a wing completely subdued. Lt. Hook, the Colony right-half, was also very prominent in the pivotal berth, spoiling magnificently, while the Fowler Brothers, "S. A. and G. H.", formed a very effective right-wing pair during the second-half. Marling caught the eye with an equally splendid display at inside-left, paving the way for several fine openings which should have been turned to better account.

The Kumaons were well served by their goalkeeper, who was unlucky to be beaten by Marshall, the ball bumping over his foot. Their centre-left flank, backed up by many England attacks with good tackling, while Capt. Loch and the two inside forwards, of whom Neraln Singh was the most dangerous, were always a menace. Parthub was very fast on the left-wing and had more than a dozen opportunities of scoring, but over-earnestness and "sticks" ruined most of these.

Capt. Loch gave the Kumaons the lead and Marshall equalised shortly before the interval. In the second half Neraln Singh and Parthub scored two good goals, G. H. Fowler reducing England's arrears with a glorious shot from the right edge of the circle.

G. Gemmel, at inside-right for England in the first half, gave an enterprising display and fully deserves to secure his berth.

TO-MORROW'S HOCKEY

The following are the England, Scotland, Ireland and Portugal teams for the local international hockey tournament which will take place at King's Park to-morrow:
Portugal: B. Alves (Nomads); R. Xavier (Nomads) and Dr. E. L. Goncalves (Recrolo); R. A. Marques (Recrolo); J. Goncalves (Recrolo); and A. M. Alves (Recrolo); J. Fonseca (Recrolo), Dr. A. M. Rodrigues

Hockey

SHANGHAI CHAMPIONS DEFEATED

Shanghai, Apr. 10.
The visiting Hongkong Women's Inter-unit Team beat the Greens, champions of the Shanghai Women's Hockey League, by eight goals to one at Kuochoh Park this afternoon.

At half-time the Hongkong team led by four goals to one. Scorers for Hongkong were Mrs. Reed, 4, Miss Barker 2, Miss Grigg 1, and Miss Westcott 1.

The Hongkong team will be entertained to an Inter-unit dinner and dance at the Shanghai Race Club to-morrow night.—Reuter.

United Press adds that Hongkong displayed excellent team work, passing accurately. Their play was also featured by the speed at which they smashed through the Greens' defence. The Greens seemed disorganised, failing to reveal anything of the expected team work. They were also puzzled by Hongkong's short passes, powerful attacks and deadly shooting.

Mrs. Reed scored the first and second goals for Hongkong, then Miss Barker tallied, followed by Miss Grigg of the Greens, who replied for the first time only through Miss Mary Sierdan. In the second half Mrs. Reed scored two goals and Miss Westcott and Miss Barker each one.

(Recrolo). J. M. Pinto (K.I.T.C.), N. A. Beltran (Recrolo), A. P. Souza (K.I.T.C.); reserve, P. Silva (Nomads).
Ireland: J. W. Dove; Pte. Painting and Pte. Gorman; Pte. Courtney, Sgt. W. A. Land and A. N. O'Her; G. S. Wilson, Pte. Sheehan, Sgt. Dawson, C. Wall, Sgt. Blount, reserve: Sgt. Holland and D. Leonard. England: Pte. Osman (R.A.O.C.); V. C. Bond (Club) and L. Bdr. Carter (R.A.), Bdr. Dillmot (R.A.), Lieut. Hook (R.A.) (Captain) and E. Fowler (C.B.A.); S. A. Fowler (Club), Lt. Gemmel (R. Navy), G. H. Fowler (Club), Bdr. Marshall (R.A.) and L. Cpl. Dunne (Middlesex); Reserve: Lt. Chatter (Middlesex), J. Parker (Police) and Bism. Bright (Middlesex).
Scotland: Howlett (Police); D. Taylor (Y.M.C.A.) and Pte. Neave (R. Scots); J. Kempton (Y.M.C.A.), D. McLellan (Y.M.C.A.) and N. Whitley (Club); Capt. MacKenzie Kennedy (Royal Scots), Lt. J. A. H. Douglas (Royal Scots), Cpl. Hitchcock (Royal Scots—1st Bn); L. Cpl. Austen (R.C. Signals) and A. N. O'Her.

The following is the draw for the local international hockey tournament which will take place to-morrow at King's Park, commencing at 5.15 p.m. in each case:
England v. Scotland, C.B.A. ground; Wales v. Ireland, U.S.R.C. ground; Portugal v. The Continent, Club ground; India v. China, Recrolo ground.

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INTER-UNIT CRICKET "B" Company Middlesex Beat 9th. A. A. Bty.

In the Small Units Inter-Unit cricket competition, the "B" Company Middlesex beat the 9th. A. A. Battery R.A. at Sookunpoo yesterday by 72 runs. "B" Company have now to play the 24th. Battery R.A., and the winner will meet the R.A.M.C. in the final.

"B" Company, M'ses.

Lt. Man, b. Barby	2
Lt. Vines, b. Robinson	2
Lt. Weedon, b. Franklin	2
Sgt. Painter, b. Sutcliffe	2
Pte. Pearson, b. Baker	2
Lt. C. Jones, c. and b. Chaplin	2
Pte. Chatter, b. Barby	2
Lt. C. Jones, c. and b. Baker	2
Pte. Barrett, not out	10
Extras	10
Total	105

9th. A. A. Bty.
Lt. Ingram, c. Jones b. Pearson 1
Sgt. Baker, lbw. b. Painter 0
Bdr. Chaplin, b. Pearson 0
Gnr. Barby, b. Chatter 2
Gnr. Dobbie, b. Dyer 2
Gnr. Sutcliffe, b. Painter 2
Gnr. Martin, b. Chatter 2
Lt. C. Jones, c. and b. Dyer 1
Gnr. Bigginson, c. and b. Dyer 1
Lt. C. Jones, c. and b. Painter 4
Lt. C. Jones, c. and b. Painter 4
Total 121

Bowling analyses were not kept.

Bowling Records

Mrs. E. Soong, who has been conspicuously successful at Dicks Pins at the Hongkong Bowling Alley, returned the best score for women for the month of March, chalking up 168 points. Mr. P. Chessex was the most successful in the men's division, scoring 142.

Mrs. S. A. Ismail topped the women's scores in the Ten Pins game, recording a score of 182, while Mr. J. S. Landolt topped the men's section with 240.

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Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 13th April, 1939.

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Says A MOTHER

IF the birth rate continues to decline at its present rate statisticians tell us, in a hundred years' time the population of Great Britain will have been reduced from 46 millions to 5 millions. Britain, therefore, is gradually committing suicide.

Something will have to be done about it, the statisticians say. But what? The German plan of marriage loans, a third of which are cancelled to the parents at the birth of each child, would not, I believe, appeal to British mothers and fathers. As a typical young Scots mother, I think that nothing will ever bring again the huge families of my grand-mother's day, unless the clock is put back and women's freedom taken away. Not even as an act of great patriotism, and with the economic question solved, would young wives of 1938 be prepared to settle down to 20 years of child-bearing. We owe ourselves, as individuals, a better life than that.

A Place in the Sun

Our mothers, with a new sense of responsibility towards both themselves and their families, brought far fewer children into the world. They wanted to give each of them a chance of healthful upbringing and good education, and a place in the economic scheme of things higher than their own. Their attitude, I think, was a revolution from the Victorian family life they had known themselves.

They thought in terms of family life, of course, and not in terms of world problems. The Great War was about to break of them, but they knew almost nothing of war. They would have had to ask you the meaning of unemployment.

They were simply in love with the idea of a woman being saved the drudgery of a dozen babies, and being able to heap advantages on a

SHORT CUTS

Soda and other unsweetened crackers may be used to make savory stuffing for roast meats, poultry, stuffed tomatoes, green peppers, onion and eggplant.

Add a sliced apple when cooking sauerkraut to make the sauerkraut less sharp. Red cabbage is also improved by the inclusion of chopped apple, which removes the coarse flavour.

To remove the stickiness from dates, pour hot water over them and allow to dry before serving.

Scratches and white spots on a shellacked floor may be removed by wiping with a little alcohol.

small family. It was too early to experience the loneliness of such an arrangement. The mothers had an abundance of brothers and sisters to turn to, and the children had numerous small groups of cousins.

It was the extremists of that generation who invented the only child.

I believe that my own generation want larger families than our mothers did. We have experienced the loneliness of the only child. We try, too, to study motherhood as a science, and have come to regard it as a duty to our first child to provide him with at least one brother or sister, and more, if possible.

Bringing children into the world has been made safer. Running a home, even drudgery. But in spite of all that the birth rate is still falling.

Influence of World Problems

For young parents of to-day, I believe the reason lies in world problems. I should not like to lose faith in existence so much as to refuse, as some young women are doing, to have babies at all. I am not so entirely convinced that the babies fate will be to become "cannon fodder."

But until peace is established on a surer basis I should hesitate to have another child. An infant's chances of survival in an air raid seem much too remote.

Then there are economic conditions. My ambitions are not, like my mother's, to raise my children to a higher economic and social status than my own. I don't regard that as terribly important. But I do want to save them from the horrors of unemployment by giving them a sure start in the world.

I should love to have a family of four or five children. I should hate, however, to accept state grants for each child, in the German manner. That would make me feel as if my children were not my own. But before I rear a fairly large family I want first, international peace, and second national economic security. If the mothers of Britain could be sure of these two factors I don't think we should hear any more a falling population problems.

Frozen Apple Sauce

1 cup thick, sweetened app's sauce
1/4 teaspoon cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
1/4 teaspoon melted butter
Juice of 1/2 lemon
2 tablespoons syrup from preserved ginger
1 cup stiffly whipped cream
Mix apple sauce, nutmeg, cinnamon, melted butter, lemon and syrup. Chill and fold in whipped cream. Freeze in salt and ice or in the tray of a mechanical refrigerator. Garnish with chopped preserved ginger.

FEMININITY is to be the keynote of 1939 spring fashions to judge from the houses which showed their collections recently.

To wear the new styles successfully, you must have a well-rounded bustline, slim waist and slender hips. You must have neat legs also, for skirts are shorter.

But to balance this note of abbreviation, they are wide at the hem, which makes them easier to wear than those which are very short and very tight as well.

Tailors have shown themselves adepts at making even striped and checked suits look feminine by working them in different ways.

There was even a feminine note about a divided skirt suit—skirt was grey—you'd hardly tell it was divided, blouse top was pale yellow and it was worn with a full-length circular cloak, also in yellow.

Some cleverly-cut skirts are shaped just like umbrellas, the ribs being indicated by vertical tucks.

Yellow is to be a favourite colour for summer woollens.

Original detail on a long cloth redingote in yellow was a large square hip pocket in beaver fur.

Collars for daytime frocks are very high. Silhouette has been described as that of naughty ninety-six-year-olds.



Of course, it was bound to come. The dove as a symbol of peace has been replaced by the Prime Minister's umbrella, so that's the theme of this fine black woollen creation flashed from the fashion front last night. The skirt is umbrella-shaped, and small, white plique umbrellas from the pockets.

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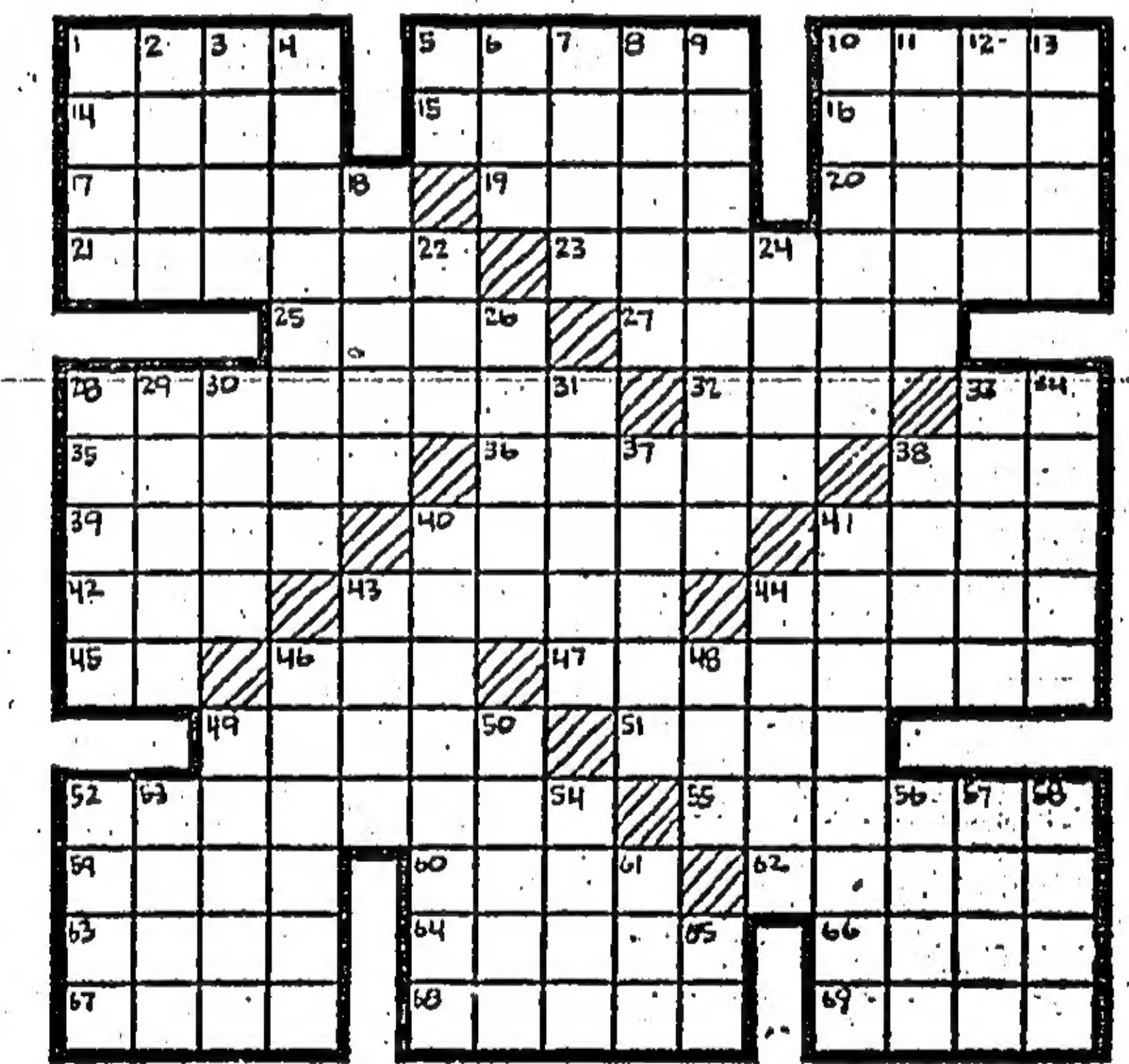
1—Peaceful
2—Broad bowl
3—Downy
4—Open space
5—Which is spent
6—Woody plant
7—Wash water
8—Round pot of cotton
9—Name
10—Tail in idle talk
11—Small heap of earth
12—Formed by soil
13—Laboratory guide
14—Made of oak wood
15—Wrote around with penance
16—Tale of Russian
17—Name
18—Cattle group
19—Unwanted plants
20—Lives below
21—Was precipitation
22—Dispatch
23—Set of clothes
24—Enter
25—Eccentric words
26—Of high mass per unit volume
27—Our group
28—Marsh
29—Lives in unhappy
30—Transparent sub-stance
31—Female relative
32—Coarse basal
33—Take out
34—One of various wild
35—Unit of structure of body framework
36—Complete with

DOWN

1—Wagon
2—Mural air
3—Period of fasting
4—Extinct mammal
5—Dropt

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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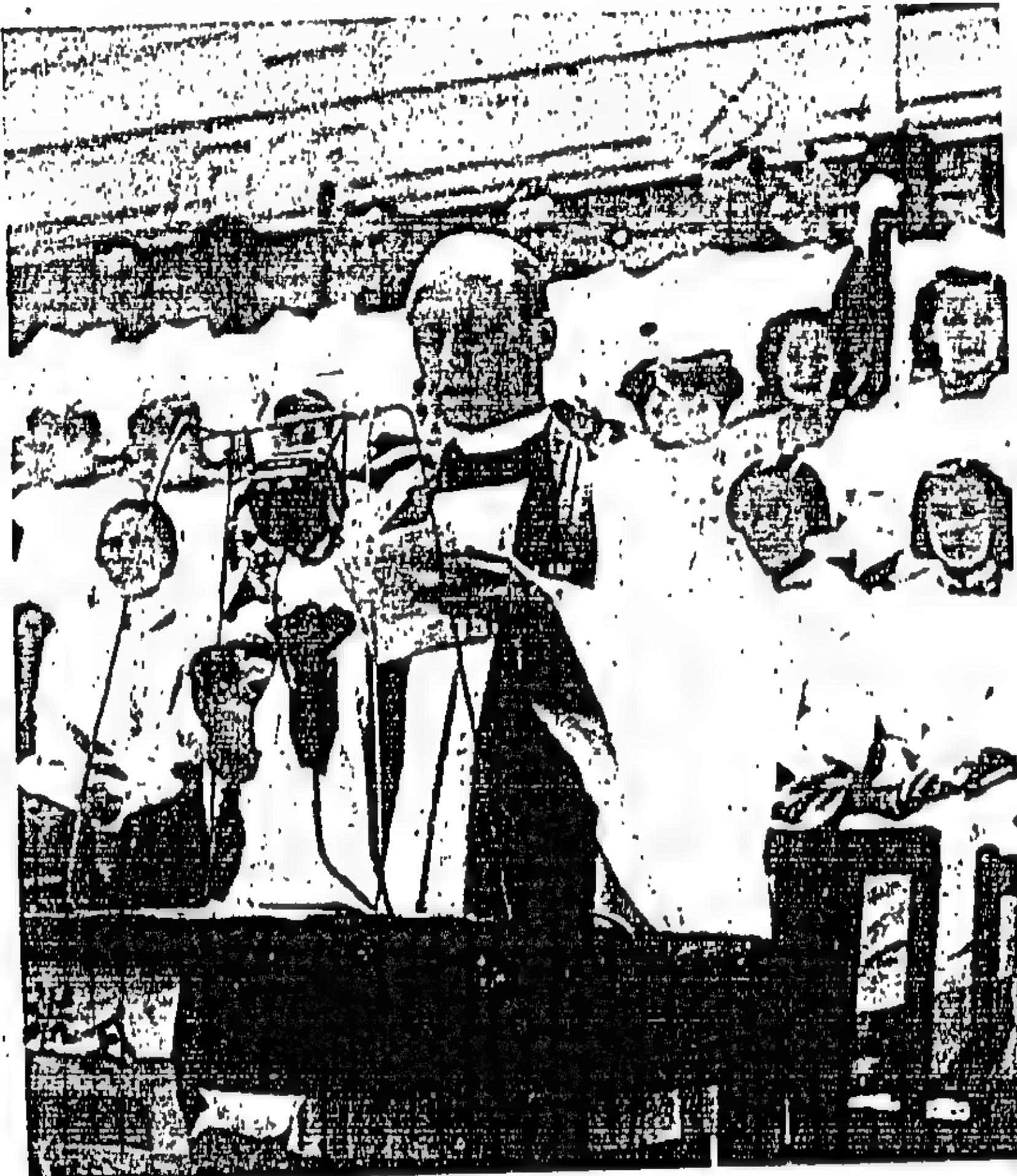
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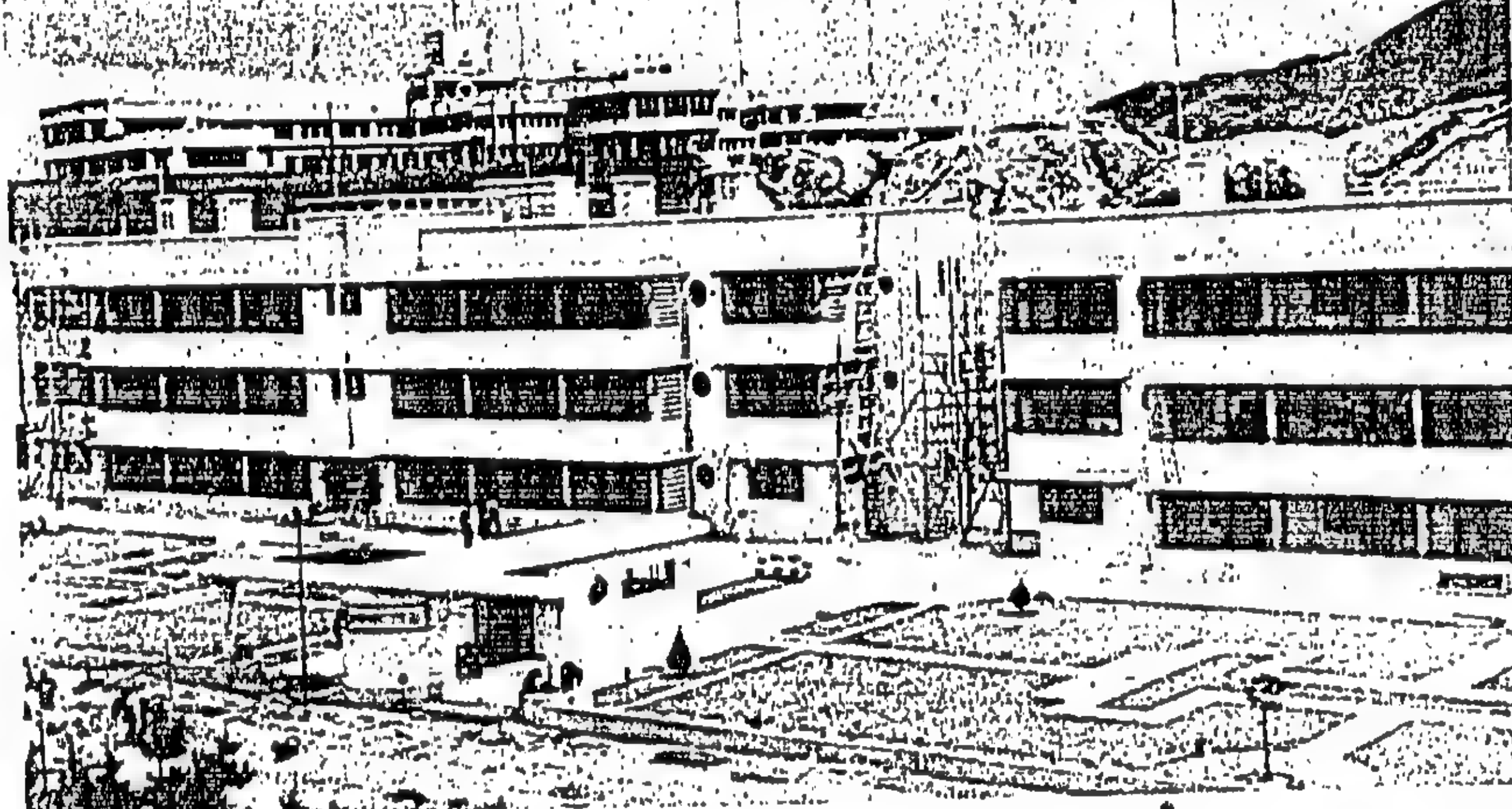
A Corporal of the Royal Scots lends a helping hand to Pto. E. Fisher whilst Pto. S. Izatt looks on at a recent machine gun competition.—Staff Photographer.



Mrs. J. R. Higgs presenting prizes at the recent annual sports held by the Diocesan Girls' School.—Ming Yuen.



The Rev. J. R. Higgs (above) giving an address at the United Demonstration of Christian Witness on Good Friday.—King's Studio.



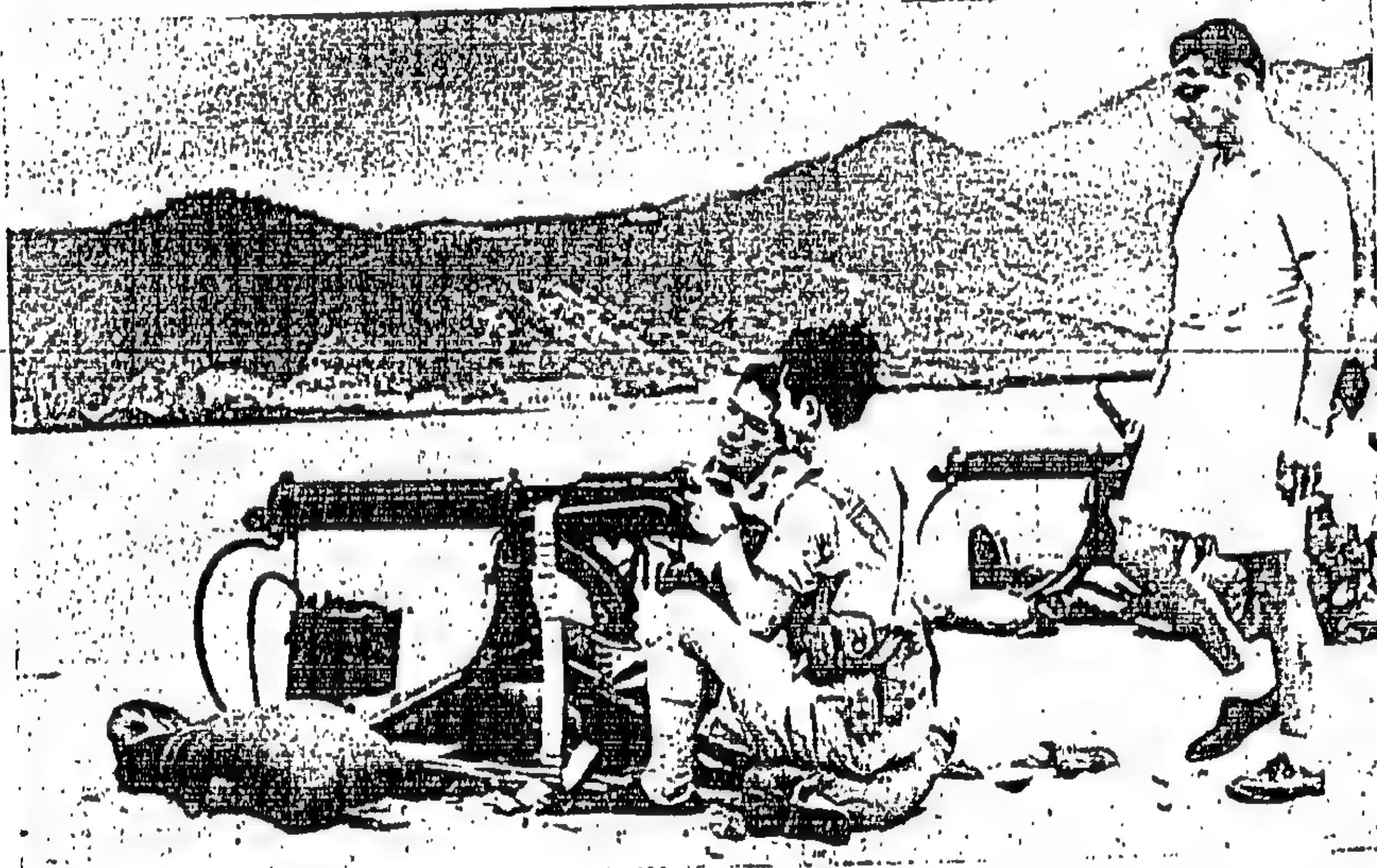
The new "Eu Gardens" flats recently opened in Argyle Street. The Central British School can be seen in the background.—Staff Photographer.



On March 4 the Queen attended the "Festival of Light" at the Albert Hall, a festival of the Toc H League of Women Helpers. Her Majesty is seen lighting tapers from the original Toc H lamp of the then Prince of Wales. From these tapers the Taper-Bearers light other lamps and rushlights. The League of Women Helpers was founded in 1922, and has a British membership of 7,000.

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Sgt. Gubbay (in white shorts) watches the first-year men at the recent machine gun competitions held recently on Stonecutters Island.—Staff Photographer.

**CAMP
FATALITY**

**Scoutmaster Thorne
Falls From Cliff**

The holiday camp of the 4th. Kowloon Troop (Garrison) Boy Scouts at Cheungchau over the Easter holidays ended tragically yesterday when their Scoutmaster, L/Cpl. H. R. Thorne, of the 1st. Middlesex Regiment, fell to his death over a sixty-foot cliff.

The accident occurred about 8.30 a.m. when, in scaling the cliff, L/Cpl. Thorne slipped and fell backwards. Assistance was forthcoming immediately and the injured man was rushed to the Cheungchau Hospital, where, despite all efforts to save him, he died at 12.30 p.m. A launch which was speeded to carry Mr. Thorne to Hongkong arrived just too late.

The Camp was scheduled for seven days, ending to-morrow, but it was broken yesterday, and the Troop and Mr. Wade, Assistant Scoutmaster, returned to Hongkong at 5 p.m.

Mr. Thorne was 23 years of age, and had been interested in Scouting for several years. Since his arrival in the Colony 18 months ago, he had been Scoutmaster of the 4th. Kowloon Troop.

Arrangements for the funeral, which will be held to-day, are being made.

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April 11, 1889.
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During the Paris Universal Exhibition of 1889, files of the "Hongkong Telegraph" will be kept at the Office of our correspondents, Messrs. AMADEE PRINCE & CO., 30, Rue Lafayette, Paris, which may be consulted at any time by visitors from the Far East.

Subscribers to this journal may have their letters, papers, etc., addressed to the care of Messrs. AMADEE PRINCE & CO., whose services will be placed at the disposal of all inquirers.

25 YEARS AGO

April 11, 1914.
Reuter's correspondent at Paris reports that interest is growing in the visit of Their Majesties and the leading firms of Paris will present Their Majesties with a golden book, containing the signatures of the prominent commercial men, in a casket, and to the Queen, needle-work representing an apotheosis of the entire cordiale framed in gold. The schemes of decoration in the City promise to be most magnificent.

The Duke of the Abruzzi has submitted a report to the Minister of Marine describing the excellent results obtained by Signor Marconi with his new wireless telephonic apparatus.

The Duke described an experiment in which communication was set up between two ships 45 miles apart, and in which the connection continued uninterruptedly for 12 hours.

Reuter's correspondent at Durazzo states that it appears that the Albanian government has mastered the situation at Koryza. The insurgents surrendered and the movement is regarded as suppressed.

10 YEARS AGO

April 11, 1929.
The well-known American millionaire, Colonel William E. Eastwood, Junior, who is now in London, has offered a prize of £25,000 open to citizens of all nations, for the first successful aeroplane flight from Home to New York, and from there to Dallas, Texas.

5 YEARS AGO

April 11, 1934.
Results in the annual Hong fourmies competition organised for members of the Kowloon Club are as follows:—Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. (A. Eastman

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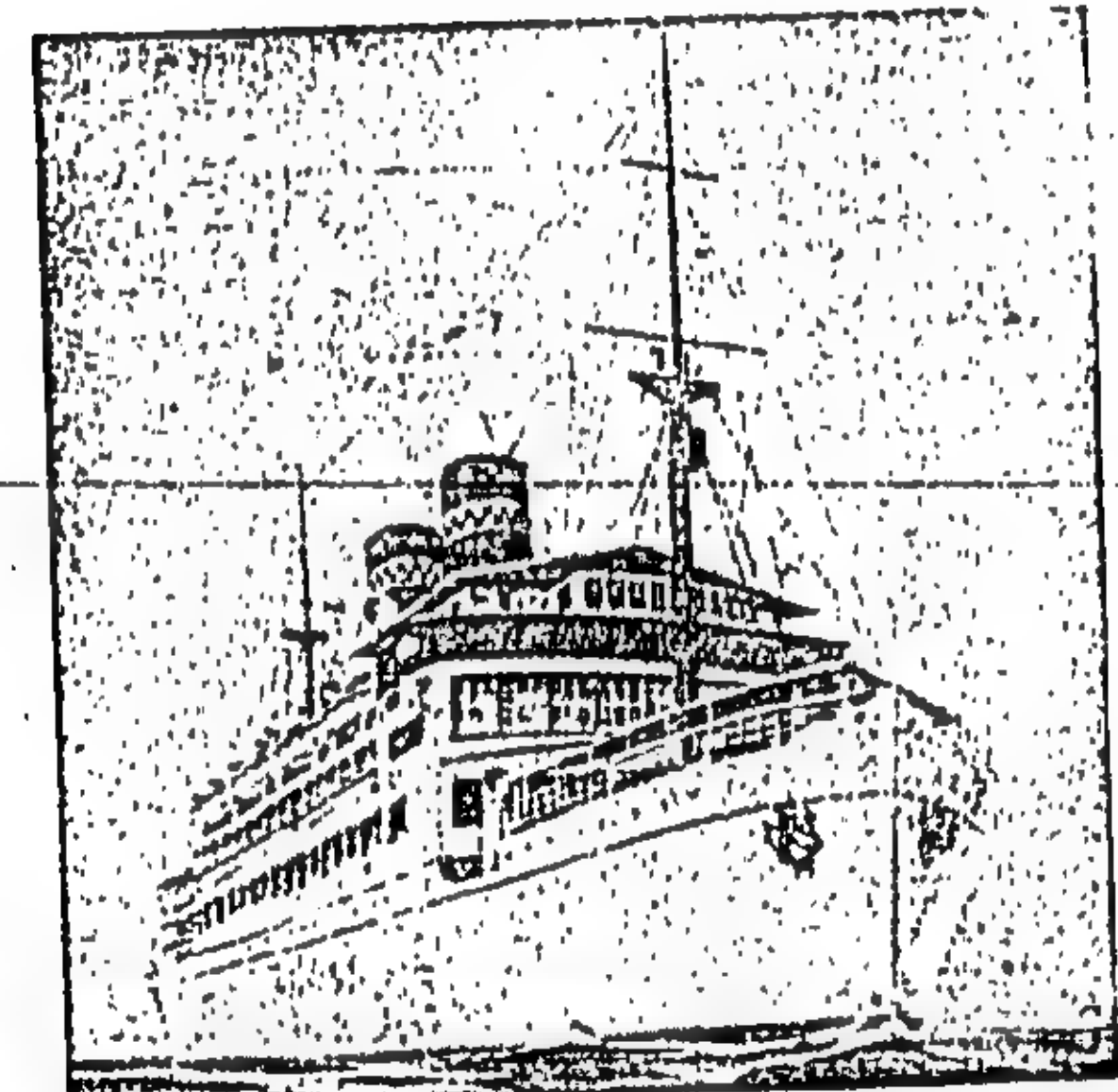
and W. M. Groves) beat Sanitary Department (A. T. Briley and T. Electric Co. (J. R. Way and W. Stoker) beat Senior Clerical and Accounting Staff (W. Hirst and F. Angus) three and two.
In the Open fourmies of the Kowloon Golf Club, the results of the matches played over the week-end follow:—G. Moss and W. Stoker beat S. MacNider and C. R. Rosen two and one; G. Barry and E. O. Murphy beat D. C. Wilson and G. Milne one up; S. Jex and C. J. Roe beat W. C. Simpson and C. J. Purves four and three; G. Angus and F. J. W. Dorling beat F. E. B. Boker and A. J. W. Dorling three and two; J. McKelvie and W. Taylor beat W. Fisher and C. E. Terry five and four.

Britain has taken Europe by surprise by the adoption of the initiative in enquiring into the meaning of the greatly enlarged German estimates for military purposes.

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EMPIRE NEWS

BURMESE CABINET RESIGNS

RANGOON.
The Government of Dr. Ba Maw has resigned following its defeat in the Lower House recently on a motion of no confidence by 70 votes to 37.

During the debate on the no-confidence motion criticism of the Government came from all sides, including the Europeans.

Mr. W. J. C. Richards, the European leader, said everybody knew there was something very wrong with Burma. He charged the Government with failing to maintain law and order.

The British group of nine all voted against the Government. The Indian group did not vote.

The Prime Minister said the prevailing disturbances were not peculiar to Burma. The Government was hampered by the terms of the Constitution.

The result of the vote was received with cheers by the crowd outside the House of Representatives. Earlier to-day offices of the Prime Minister were burned in the street. Black flags were flown from houses. Placards demanding the resignation of the Government were carried in processions.

NEW ZEALAND

SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEME COSTS

AUCKLAND.
Mr. W. Nash, Finance Minister, addressing Auckland business men, said there was a shortage of about £2,000,000 in the finance of the social security scheme. This is estimated to cost £17,850,000 when fully operating. The revenue from the shilling in the pound tax is estimated at £8,500,000.

"We shall have to find a way of getting the money," Mr. Nash said. Referring to the Budget, Mr. Nash said the figures were up to the estimates. There was a prospect of ending the year with a slight surplus.

AUSTRALIA

FARMS FOR DUTCH SETTLERS

SYDNEY.
Sir Earle Page, the Commonwealth Minister for Commerce, has decided to make a tour of the coastal areas of New South Wales and southern Queensland to determine the possibilities of further settlement both by sons of Australian farmers and of migrants.

Sir Earle Page says that he believed that many swampy areas on the northern rivers of New South Wales could be effectively drained and profitably worked by Dutch farmers, who were skilled in the drainage and treatment of low-lying land. The capital cost of the land would be low, and the areas would be specially suitable for group settlement, which would make possible the co-operative provision of drainage works.

KENYA

DEATH OF OLDEST EUROPEAN

NAIROBI.
Mr. William Hunter, Kenya's oldest European resident, died at Nairobi recently, aged 92. He was born at Rochdale and spent his early years in the Navy. He took part in the suppression of the slave trade on the East African coast.

He was an amateur artist. Some of his paintings of Kenya scenes were shown at the Wembley Exhibition.

INDIA

BENGAL MINISTER RESIGNS

CALCUTTA.
Shamsuddin Ahmed, Minister of Agriculture in the Bengal Congress Cabinet, has submitted his resignation to the Chief Minister, on the ground that the latter has failed to carry out the programme of the Krishak Praja party, which Ahmed represents.

Shamsuddin Ahmed agreed to take the post of Minister of Agriculture in November on condition that his party's programme, involving a reduction in Ministers' salaries and certain educational and municipal reforms, was completed by February 7.

LATE NEWS

British Warning

ATHENS, April 11.
It is reported here that England has informed Italy that the seizure of any Greek territory, harbour or island will mean war.—United Press.

British Warships Near Corfu

ATHENS, April 11.
It is reported that a number of British warships and French warships, estimated between 8 and 12 in number, are cruising around Corfu. The British Admiralty said there is no information regarding British warships being near Corfu.—United Press.

British Denial

LONDON, Apr. 11.—The British Admiralty has denied the report from Cairo saying that the British Mediterranean Fleet is expected at Alexandria on Wednesday.

The Admiralty said they are unable to say at present where the fleet is going.—United Press.

ITALY WARNED

LONDON, Apr. 10.
Reliable reports here say that Britain has informed Italy that the British Government will take "a grave view" of any further Italian action disturbing the European status quo. Lord Halifax has conveyed this warning to the Italian Charge d'Affaires in London.

At the same time the British Ambassador to Rome has informed the Italian Foreign Minister, both emphasising that the warning applies particularly to threats against Greece and Turkey.

This message is believed to foreshadow a British guarantee to Greece and Turkey this week.—United Press.

No German Troop Movements

BERLIN, Apr. 10.—Well informed circles here doubt whether any big scale troop movements are under way in Germany.

There is no indication of unusual military activity in Berlin, although there are persistent rumours of concentrations both in the east and the west.—United Press.

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Anna Neagle In Film Of Marie Lloyd

Mr. Herbert Wilcox, producer of the Queen Victoria films, recently arrived in London from America with impressive arrangements for the financial backing of his picture.

He said that in two years he spent £450,000 on making pictures without getting a penny from a British bank. When he wanted an advance of £10,000 it was refused him; yet so far about £625,000 to the distributors.

The two Queen Victoria films produced by Mr. Wilcox have returned to him so far about £625,000 to the distributors.

LITERARY BIBLIOGRAPHY

PHILADELPHIA.
A WPA project designed to compile the first complete bibliography of American literature is underway at the University of Pennsylvania, according to Dr. Arthur Hobson Quinn. He said a staff of 40 would require two to five years to complete the work.

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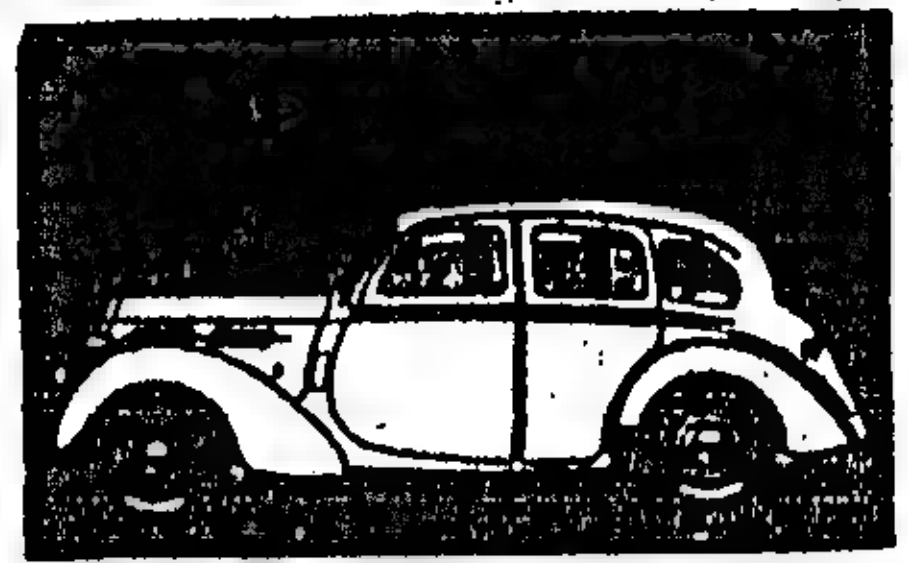
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LONDON, APR. 10.
GREAT BRITAIN HAS TAKEN URGENT
NAVAL PRECAUTIONS IN THE MEDI-
TERRANEAN.

It is understood that Mr. Chamberlain will
announce in the House of Commons, which
re-assembles on Thursday, that Greece and
Turkey had been brought into the European
peace front.

The Premier has recalled Naval and Air
Force officers from leave, ordered British war-
ships to leave Italian ports and summoned
Parliament to meet.
THRUST FEARED

The advance of the Italians through Albania to the
Greek and Jugo-Slav frontiers has aroused fears of a
Fascist thrust through the Balkans.

The British Cabinet has decided to avoid a
denunciation of the Anglo-Italian friendship pact, at least
for the present, in an effort to prevent further strain on
relations with Rome, and also, it is understood, because
of the uncertainty regarding the future of Nationalist
Spain in view of General Franco's recent moves favouring
the Axis.

POSITION MADE CLEAR

Britain's attitude to Greece is that any Italian move
there which will create a threat to British communications
will bring Britain to defend Greek frontiers.

It is understood that diplomatic channels have made
this British position quite clear to Italy.

It is said that the British guarantee to Greece is intend-
ed particularly to prevent important islands like Corfu falling
into the hands of the totalitarians.

However, the British Foreign Office has denied reports that
Britain had warned Italy against seizing Corfu or that they had
advised Italy that such action would be cause for war.—United
Press.

WARSHIP MOVEMENTS

LONDON, APR. 10.
All units of the Mediterranean Fleet visiting Italian ports
left on April 8.

They include the battleship Warspite, flagship of the Com-
mander-in-Chief, which sailed from San Remo.

No official information is given regarding their destination,
but it is explained that owing to the obscure situation in Albania,
the withdrawal of the ships, which are on courtesy visits, would
avoid embarrassment for all concerned.

The battleship Malaya, which
has been stationed at Bombay,
left there to-day for an unknown
destination.—Reuter.

Leave Cancelled

Tangiers, Apr. 11.
All British naval forces from
Gibraltar have been ordered to
leave immediately.—United
Press.

Malta Activity

MALTA, Apr. 10.—Costal and anti-
aircraft defences at Malta carried
out exercises which are officially
described as "precautionary."

Officers of the Mediterranean Fleet
and the Royal Air Force have been
precautionarily recalled to their
ships.

Simultaneously, the Fleet has been
ordered to prepare for possible orders
at short notice.

Civilian employees in the naval
dockyard establishment have also
been recalled to duty.—United Press.

Precautions Necessary

Paris, Apr. 10.
The morning papers in London and
Paris have agreed that the
strengthening of the Mediterranean
forces is necessary but give no de-
finite information as to what mea-
sures might be taken.

The "Petit Parisien" states that the
British Government has taken note
of the Italian assurances but "never-

theless Britain has decided, in accord
with the French Government, that
the naval bases in the Mediterranean
must be reinforced."

The "Petit Journal" says, "No one
will be surprised at a naval demon-
stration off the Greek Island of Corfu."
—United Press.

British Warships Near Corfu

ATHENS, April 11.
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British warships and French war-
ships, estimated between 8 and 12 in
number, are cruising around Corfu.

The British Admiralty said there
is no information regarding British
(Continued on Page 12.)

The World's Big Navies

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Battle cruisers	3	—	—	2	—	—	—
Armoured ships	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Aircraft carriers	7	3	6	2	7	—	6
Cruisers (8-inch)	15	17	12	7	7	—	—
Cruisers (6-inch)	45	14	23	11	14	—	—
Destroyers	159	45	60	50	45	—	14
Escort vessels	31	—	23	7	—	—	—
Anti-submarine ships	62	36	44	56	28	—	—
Submarines	46	27	44	78	70	24	—
Battleships	7	2	7	4	4	3	—
Battle cruisers	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Aircraft carriers	6	3	27	—	—	—	—
Cruisers (8-inch)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cruisers (6-inch)	19	5	27	—	12	2	—
Destroyers	30	30	7	5	10	15	—
Escort vessels	5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Anti-submarine ships	13	—	2	2	—	2	—
Submarines	18	11	13	20	187	—	—

Bitter Italian Attack On U.S. "Interference"

ROME, Apr. 10.

AMERICAN PRESS and official comment on Italy's
action in Albania is sharply criticised by Signor Gayda,
editor of the "Giornale d'Italia" to-day.

DICTATORS AND SPAIN

Fruits Of Democracy's
Non-Intervention

PARIS, Apr. 10.

The newspaper "L'Oeuvre",
reports that General Franco,
with German, Italian and Japa-
nese representatives in Spain, has
signed a secret military treaty
under which "Spain placed all
her naval and air bases at the
disposal of the Axis."

The Axis has assumed all costs of
the Goering-Gambara plan—the
establishment of 60 miles of fortified
zones behind the Pyrenees and the
creation of certain strategic bases.

"Moreover, the Axis and Japan
will assume the obligation to support
General Franco's national territorial
demands."

In Berlin and Rome it is said that
the Axis demands would be for the
possession of French Morocco.—
United Press.

"Treason" To Spain

Moscow, Apr. 10.
Stating that the two great demo-
cracies, France and Britain, through
their "treason" to Republican Spanish
interests, have suffered a bad defeat
on the "Pyrenean Peninsula," the
"Pravda" comments on the adherence
of Spain to the anti-Comintern Pact.

The paper states that France and
Britain can now no longer count on
Spanish neutrality in the event of a
war, and that their hopes of gaining
influence in Spain by recognising the
Franco regime were, from the begin-
ning, doomed to disappointment.—
Trans-Ocean.

INDIAN TROOPS FIGHT, 15 MEN "PUNISHED"

RACIAL DIFFERENCES between Indian soldiers of the 8th
Heavy Regiment, The Royal Artillery, led to fighting between a
group of the men on Good Friday, the "Telegraph" learns from
authoritative sources this morning.

In the course of the disturbance, one of the soldiers was
stabbed in the arm.

Four men were placed under arrest and detained in the Guard
Room.

Subsequently, eleven Indians who sympathised with those
arrested volunteered for detention.

The fifteen men have since been suitably punished.

American Anxiety

Washington, Apr. 10.
Anxieties arising from the uncer-
tainities at home and abroad have
(Continued on Page 12.)

LONDON, Apr. 10.
THE LATEST EURO-
PEAN crisis created by
Italy's invasion of Albania
has resulted in Parliament's
Easter recess being inter-
rupted.

Parliament was original-
ly scheduled to re-assemble
on April 18, but "in public
interest," says a "Reuter"
despatch, both Houses have
been summoned to meet on
Thursday of this week.
"Reuter" adds that it is not
expected that the sitting will
last more than one day.

Italy Warned

A "United Press" message
from Paris reports that Britain
and France have issued a joint
warning to Mussolini. The
warning will be transmitted
through the British Ambassador
to Rome.

It will state that any further
expansion threatening the status
quo in the Mediterranean will be
opposed by the full force of British
and French arms.

The French Premier and Foreign
Minister are in constant communi-
cation with Mr. Chamberlain and Lord
Halifax.

It is unofficially reported that the
French Foreign Minister has encour-
aged the Soviet Ambassador re-
garding the possibility of Russian
intervention on behalf of several
Balkan States in the event of war.

DIPLOMATS ACTIVE

Britain Tightens
Naval Grip

ISTANBUL, Apr. 10.

THE VISIT of the Rumanian
Foreign Minister, M. Gafencu,
to Turkey, which was originally
planned for the second part of
April, but which was suddenly
advanced when Italian action in
Albania was taken, was due
purely to British initiative, it is
declared in Turkish political
circles.

Foreign Minister Gafencu, while
in Istanbul discussed the Dardanelles
agreement with the Turkish Minister,
whereby British warships would be
accorded unrestricted passage into
the Black Sea, where Rumania has
already promised England a naval
base on the Rumanian coast.

An attempt is also said to have
been made to gain Turkish support
against Bulgarian demands for re-
vision of the frontier. Turkey re-
fused to support Rumania in this re-
spect.

It is also declared in official circles
that Turkey will avoid any
Dardanelles agreement in order to
prevent future complications, and to
keep the political tension from be-
coming still worse.—Trans-Ocean.

Intense Activity

Bucharest, Apr. 10.
The return of the Rumanian
Foreign Minister, M. Gafencu from
Istanbul was followed to-day by
intense diplomatic activity.

M. Gafencu received the Yugo-
Slav Ambassador, and the French,
Italian, and Hungarian Ministers.—
Reuter.

Discussions In London

London, Apr. 10.
The Greek and Rumanian Ministers
called at the Foreign Office during a
(Continued on Page 12.)

BRITISH TROOPS MAY LAND

ROME THREAT TO GREECE

ATHENS, Apr. 11.

IT IS REPORTED here that England has
informed Italy that the seizure of any Greek
territory, harbour or island will mean war.—
United Press.

LONDON, Apr. 10.

Reliable reports here say that Britain has informed
Italy that the British Government will take "a grave view
of any further Italian action disturbing the European
status quo."

Lord Halifax has conveyed
this warning to the Italian
Charge d'Affaires in London.

At the same time the British
Ambassador to Rome has in-
formed the Italian Foreign
Minister, both emphasising that
the warning applies particularly to
threats against Greece and
Turkey.

This message is believed to fore-
shadow a British guarantee to Greece
and Turkey this week.—United Press.

No German Troop Movements

BERLIN, Apr. 10.—Well informed
circles here doubt whether any big
scale troop movements are under way
in Germany.

There is no indication of unusual
military activity in Berlin, although
there are persistent rumours of con-
centrations both in the east and the
west.—United Press.

Cabinet Discussion

London, Apr. 10.
The special Cabinet meeting to-day
is expected to discuss measures
(Continued on Page 4.)

JAPANESE LAND NR. HONGKONG

According to reports received
in authoritative sources in Hong-
kong, Japanese troops conducted
a new landing near the British
frontier this morning.

A landing is stated to have
been effected slightly north of
Namtau, which is less than a
mile from British waters.

According to reports received
here, the Japanese are now
striking inland, towards the
frontier.

Chinese maritime customs officials
were evacuated from Shauki, which
is in Deep Bay, early this morning.

Original reports received in Hong-
kong indicated that the Japanese
were advancing down towards Deep
Bay. It is now believed, however,
that they are proceeding in the di-
rection of Shum Chun.

Police authorities in Hongkong
admit having heard of the reports of
Japanese landing, but state that
the border is absolutely quiet and
there are no signs of any panic.

The "Telegraph" was in telephonic
communication with border outposts
at 12.45 p.m. when everything ap-
peared quiet.

Fourteen hundred Japanese parti-
cipants in the landing, which was
effected at Taisingkiang. The Japa-
nese are stated to have captured
Shelkwan.

ALBANIAN INVASION

TROOP PLANES LAND IN INTERIOR AREAS

ROME, Apr. 10.

ITALIAN TROOPS are being landed in the less accessible
towns in Albania by aeroplanes, it was revealed to-day.

5,000 Land From Planes

Corfua on the Yugo-Slav frontier
was occupied in this manner, light
Breda planes landing Grenadiers in
a small field near the town.

Reinforcements also arrived by air
at Tirana to-day, and it is reported
that Berat, south of Elbasan, was
taken over by the Italians to-day.

The territory now under Italian
control includes the old fields at
Devoll, which were formerly under
Italian supervision.

In recent years the Italians have
bored 380 wells in this area, and
production of oil has increased from
15,000 cubic metres in 1935 to
120,000 cubic metres in 1938.—
Trans-Ocean.

Tirana, Apr. 10.
Two hundred transport planes each
carried 24 fully equipped Italian
infantrymen to the inaccessible
mountains of southern Albania to-
day.

They dropped the infantry in the
region of the Greek-Albanian frontier
and returned for reinforcements.

In this manner, it is expected that
by nightfall all stations will be
occupied and the occupation of
Albania almost completed.

It is understood that the Italian
artillery in Albania has sufficient
(Continued on Page 4.)



330,000
Reserves
Called Up
Italy Increases
Standing Army

ROME, Apr. 10.
ITALY HAS called up the
1912 class and the first four
months of the 1902 class
reserves.

These classes aggregate around
330,000 men, thus bringing the total
number of Italians under arms at
present, excluding native troops, to
about 900,000.

"In a long, caustic editorial to-day,
Signor Gayda criticises the United
States because she condemned
Italian occupation of Albania."

He warns the United States not to
meddle in European affairs, and to
mind your own business."

"The United States is not pro-
tected by distance," he warns.
Also he warned Franco not to be-
lieve for a single moment that Italy's
natural aspirations will be abandon-
ed.—United Press.

Threat To Salonika

Rome, Apr. 10.
Various classes of reservists are
reported to have been called to the
(Continued on Page 12.)

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Further Late News

GIRL DID NOT KNOW OF HER £50,000 GIFT

IF Nurse Ada Ryan, aged 28, had not suffered, at 15, a disappointment which caused her to abandon hopes of a scholastic career, she would have missed the £50,000 legacy which was recently left her.

Miss Ryan, a charming brunette, had been out shopping all day. Not until she was shown a newspaper when she got home at night did she know of her luck.

"It is certainly exciting to return from shopping to find you have been left a fortune," she said.

As a girl at Ebbw Vale (Monmouthshire) Miss Ryan gained every distinction an elementary school could offer her.

Passing the secondary school entrance examination with ease, she went on to build up a brilliant record and planned to take up a scholastic career.

Educationists prophesied a distinguished future for her.

Then the blow fell. Her mother was taken ill.

SACRIFICE

The slender income of her father, Mr. Jack Ryan, a garage foreman, would not permit the engagement of outside help.

There was no alternative but for 15-year-old Ada to leave the secondary school and sacrifice her future.

For 4½ years she was a devoted nurse to her mother; a capable house-keeper for her father and brother.

When her mother died it was too late to think of a scholastic career. But her experiences at home had bred in her a fondness for nursing.

She started in that profession by entering the Royal Infirmary at Huddersfield.

DEVOTION

For three years she studied; then took her certificate as a qualified nurse.

She joined the staff of a private nursing-home at Malvern.

From there, four and a half years ago, she secured a post with Mr. Harold Gundry, a director of gas companies, at his home at Lindfield Gardens, Hampstead, N.W.

Two years ago she promised Mrs. Gundry on her death-bed to look after 77-year-old Mr. Gundry.

She did, faithfully and well, until his death last December.

He left £50,024, giving Nurse Ryan £50,000—"in grateful recognition of her services to my late wife and me."

"I had been out most of the day, and when I got back the maid asked me if I had heard of my luck," she said. "She showed me a newspaper, and for the first time I learned I had £50,000."

"It came as an awful shock to me. You see just before he died Mr. Gundry told me I should be provided for, but I had not the slightest idea I should be left as much as that."

"HOME OF MY OWN"

"I haven't had time to make any plans. I haven't even thought about what I shall do with the money."

"Isn't there perhaps something that you have always secretly wished to be able to do?" she was asked.

"No, honestly, there isn't," Miss Ryan replied. "I have always wanted a home of my own, and now I have one, for the house and everything is mine. I shall stay here, at any rate for the present."

Asked if she was engaged, Miss Ryan said: "Oh, dear, no."

"But," she added more seriously, "I'm afraid I may have a lot of that sort of thing, and they would scarcely be the right kind."

"I suppose some people would immediately dash off on a tour round the world, or something like that, if they suddenly found themselves with all this money."

"But not me; oh no, thank you. I have a horror of the sea. I dare not even go to Ireland, which I have always wanted to see, because I dread the crossing."

Am I not a pleasure-seeking girl, anyway?"



Prominent first nighters at the Federal Theatre's premiere of "The Swing Mikado," in New York, were Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Secretary of Commerce Harry Hopkins and Mayor Fiorello H. La Guardia, in happy mood above. Unique show is a WPA project.

Author Beaten By Gangsters

John Worby, ex-tramp and author of the successful best seller "The Other Half," was beaten up by gangsters in London recently. He went to the Lambeth Hospital.

Worby has just completed his new book, "Spiv's Progress," in which he fearlessly exposes the gangsters of Britain, their terrorism, and the trickeries and rackets which are worked.

This book was awaited with great interest, and in some quarters with uneasiness.

Recently Worby was in a cafe in the West End with two friends, one a member of the firm of J. M. Dent and Sons, Ltd., the publishers of the book, when he was suddenly attacked by a gang.

With badly discoloured eyes (a stitch had to be put in the corner of the left eye), a swollen jaw, cut lips, bruises on the back of his head and on his body, Worby said:

"I was sitting in the cafe when the gang about a dozen strong, came in, caught hold of me and dragged me outside."

"When my friends attempted to interfere they were pushed roughly aside and told: 'It's this—we want.'"

"The gang got me on the ground and kicked me savagely. Only one used his fists. It's a wonder I'm alive."

Worby was taken to Charing Cross Hospital and he left after receiving attention. Later he became delirious and was taken to Lambeth Hospital where he was found to be suffering from slight concussion.

His book, "Spiv's Progress," will be published shortly.

EMPIRE NEWS

43 P.C. OF LOAN NOT SUBSCRIBED

CANBERRA.

Only £4,800,000 of the recent £8,500,000 Commonwealth 3½ per cent. 1935 Loan was subscribed by the public, according to an announcement by Mr. R. G. Casey, Commonwealth Treasurer. Underwriters were consequently called on to take up £3,700,000, or 43 per cent.

Mr. Casey said that the success of the loan had to some extent been affected by the fact that an amount of £10,400,000 had been subscribed in cash to the £71,700,000 3½ per cent. 1932-4 Conversion Loan of last December. Moreover, he added, the flotation took place at an unusual time.—Reuter.

1,383lbs. Shark.—A Uger shark, weighing 1,383lbs., and believed to be a world's record, was caught off Sydney.

NEW ZEALAND

LEISURELY DOCKERS CRITICISED

AUCKLAND. Mr. Webb, Minister of Mines, announced recently that a national conference of shipowners and workers would be held to consider plans for increasing the efficiency of work on the waterfront, with a view to reducing excessive costs.

He criticised the "inconvenient methods" of British packing, and the "leisureliness" of New Zealand workers.

If the conference were unsuccessful, he said, the Government intended to ensure the provision of men and plant capable of effecting an improvement.

INDIA

EFFECT OF CONGRESS SPLIT

CALCUTTA. The resignation of Pandit Nehru, the former President, from Congress has been received in Bengal with considerable surprise, as it is said that his loyalty to Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose, the "Left Wing" President, had expected.

The task now left to Mr. Bose is unenviable. He is left to lead a Congress which is little more than a name.

It is generally expected that the resignation of Ministries in some States will follow, and thus Mr. Gandhi will take the wind from the sails of the President of Congress.

KENYA

OPENING OF TOURIST SEASON

MOMBASA. The tourist season has opened here with the arrival of the Cunard-White Star liner Franconia, 20,175 tons, with 200 passengers. Her itinerary is from New York to the Cape, and along the East coast to Australia.

On March 11 the German liner Columbus, 32,565 tons, which is to make a round-Africa trip, arrived here from New York.

Gamecock Rodeo Seen By Two Hundred

The twenty-one English men and women, their retinue of North Country bird handlers, and the survivors of the 148 gamecocks that fought to give them pleasure recently left Calais.

But after the last English bird had left the garage behind the Hotel-Meurice, where he had fought, cockfighting went on. In the Galladrome, a covered courtyard behind a cafe not far from the hotel, there were eighteen more victims.

Visitors paid ten francs (1s. 2d.) to watch the afternoon's sport. It was different from the secret cockfights in the garage. The English drank champagne; at the Galladrome the only drink available was beer costing just over a half-penny a glass.

The English wagered up to £100 on a fight. Half a crown was a big bet in the Galladrome.

ROMANTIC NAMES

If the fighting got slow you could go into the cafe. They stamped a cock on your hand in ink so that you could get back without paying.

The birds were carried into the arena in linen bags. They were big barnyard roosters, much larger than the English fighting cock. Their spurs had been cut off and steel spikes, two-and-a-half inches long, clipped to their legs.

They had romantic names, like Roi d'Emir (King of Hell) and Napoleon le Brave. When their owners lifted them from the sacks and took the cocks off their spikes the birds seemed gentle, but when one was held out to look at another he pecked viciously, like a snake striking.

The birds were put into the steel-netted ring. The colour of the mat on which they fought was red. Some of the cocks rushed instantly at each other. Others moved around looking for an opening.

But there always came a fierce rush, a flutter of wings as the birds reared up to strike with their spurs. They struck so fast that until they tired you could not see their legs move.

After a few fierce struggles both birds would stop, exhausted, even if one or both were not fatally wounded.

SHOUTED INSULTS

The longest of fifteen fights took thirteen minutes, the shortest fifteen seconds. At the end of the thirteen-minute fight both birds, torn, bleeding, barely breathing, were apparently dying.

The crowd shouted insults, then roared applause as one slowly lifted himself, pecked at his opponent's eye, then leaped in the air and struck one steel spur clean through the other bird's head.

£2,000 Job Is Born

London County Council created a new £2,000-a-year job recently. They agreed with members of the establishment committee that the council's architect needs an assistant.

The post is to be advertised, and will have a salary starting at £1,800 a year, rising to £2,000 in two years.

The assistant architect will deal with town planning and the designing of new London County Council buildings.

Alien Mosquitoes Invade Chelsea

Poisoned arms and legs, inflamed eyes, sleepless nights have been worrying hundreds of people in Chelsea.

They are caused by a plague of large mosquitoes.

One hundred and fifty residents in Lots-road, Telcott-road, Upcarn-road, and Meek-street, have petitioned Chelsea Borough Council to take action to rid them of the mosquitoes.

The Port of London Authority has refused to allow the creek at the rear of Lots-road to be sprayed with paraffin, so the Chelsea Council is searching for another preparation.

Mr. A. Ankers, a dairyman in Lots-road, said:

"I killed four mosquitoes in my dairy the other day. I have travelled widely and I know that they are not the usual English mosquitoes. They are even larger than the Uger mosquitoes which you get in the Gulf of Mexico."

"I don't think spraying will be any use. The creek needs dredging."

Mrs. G. E. Gilbert, of Telcott-road, said that she had to stay awake on several nights applying fomentations to relieve the swelling of mosquito bites.

"Bombs" On A London Station To Test A.R.P.

The Paddington area was blacked out for three hours, after midnight recently to test the arrangements made in Paddington Station to deal with air raids.

Because goods and other traffic had to be despatched, one platform had to be kept fully illuminated while the rest of the station was in darkness except for tiny blue lights.

Twenty minutes after the alarm had been sounded there was a loud report outside the station.

An imitation incendiary "bomb" flared away.

Auxiliary firemen ran up with a hose and sprayed the station wall near which the "bomb" had dropped, to prevent the fire spreading. The "bomb" itself was dealt with.

Then a red smoke flare broke into fire half-way up the building. Two

special fire engines, part of the station A.R.P. equipment, arrived.

Hoses were run out. Two escape ladders were run up to a roof. The firemen brought down dummies, where were placed on ambulance handcars and rushed away.

Forty-five minutes after the warning siren the fully-illuminated platform was vacated by a departing train, and immediately the lights were extinguished and small blue lights took their place.

At 2 a.m. a huge white flare illuminated the whole of one end of the station. Another "bomb" had dropped. The fire and rescue squads again came into action. And so it went on for three hours.



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LONDON'S SHELTERS ARRIVING

Less Than £8 Each To Household

SOME thousands of London's steel shelters arrived recently by rail, but the distribution to householders did not start till later, when much engineering work was begun in suburban back gardens.

The shelters were sent from the steelworks in parts with the sides, roofs and bolts and nuts in different wagons. The railway companies began to distribute them to the addresses supplied by the various councils after the parts have been sorted out at their goods depots.

Tottenham, Poplar, Hornsey, Bethnal Green and Islington received the first shelters. Consignments for other boroughs arrived later.

LESS THAN £8 EACH

Sir John Anderson gave a promise recently that there would be no profiteering by the Government in the sale of shelters to householders not on the free list.

"We will supply them at cost price," he said.

He could not at present give the actual cost of the shelters, but did not think it would be as much as £8.

When Sir John inspected one of the shelters at Charing Cross Underground station he sat inside for some minutes and later confessed that it was the first time he had been inside one.

Later, in the House of Commons, Sir John, replying to Mr. Doland (C. Bath and Tooting), said that until local authorities had completed their survey for the free distribution of the Government's steel shelters he could not indicate when supplies would be available for sale.

PLEA REJECTED

Mr. Lipson (Ind., Cheltenham) asked the Lord Privy Seal if he would consider providing steel shelters free to all who had undertaken obligations for national service.

Sir John Anderson replied that this would be a complete departure from the basis of distribution already announced and he could not entertain it.

A.R.P. precautions are responsible for just half of a supplementary estimate for £1,058,079 issued. The figure is £790,020.

It is expected that £750,000 will be expended during the year ended March 31 next to meet the cost of supplying steel shelters and materials for strengthening basements.

ESSENTIAL SERVICES

Two token provisions of £10 each are included in order to bring before Parliament the cost of approved special measures to ensure continuity of service by certain essential public utility undertakings in war time and the provision of grants in respect of emergency water supplies in London and other vulnerable areas.

On the credit side is £10,000, anticipated additional receipts from the sale of respirators.

Tension in districts around London which have been classified as school children should not take place was relieved by a statement from the Minister of Health.

In a letter to Erith Borough Council, the Minister said, "When the survey now being carried out is complete the Minister will be in a position to consider the possibility of extending the list of areas to be evacuated."

Erith, classed as a neutral area, was twice bombed during the Great War and is now making arrangements to evacuate its own children. A farm camp in the country is being bought.

Hammer In Family 100 Years

Beardstown, Ill. A 100-year-old hammer, brought to this country from Denmark, is prized by Cyrus Christensen, Beardstown, whose father brought it to the United States when he left Denmark to avoid army service.

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SIX CLERGYMEN IN FAMILY

Six clergymen of one family will give addresses during Lent at St. Botolph's, Aldersgate.

They are the Vicar, Rev. W. B. Dams, his three brothers, Revs. A. E. Dams (late Rector of Henley-on-Thames), P. J. Dams (Vicar of Higham, Kent) and V. Dams (Rector of Wexham, Bucks), and two nephews, Revs. C. T. L. Dams, a minor canon of Windsor, and E. L. Dams, assistant curate at Chalfont St. Peter, Bucks.

Said the Vicar of St. Botolph's: "As I have hardly ever heard them preach, it occurred to me that it would be an interesting experiment."

New Einstein Theory

A new theory which he believes may solve the riddle of gravitation is announced in an interview by Prof. Albert Einstein, who is 60.

Einstein declined to divulge details of what he thinks may prove the clue to the long-sought single law explaining the structure of the entire universe and all the mysteries of matter and radiation.

"The layman," he said, "can at least realize one thing—that the pursuit of such a goal requires almost unlimited patience. Since the formulation of the general theory of relativity there has existed the problem of bringing under one unifying mathematical concept the gravitational field, the electro-magnetic field and material particles."

"Mathematical constructions for the unified field theory devised by me heretofore have not stood the test of experience. A year ago I discovered a new solution, and I am now engaged with two collaborators developing the results to a point where they could be checked by experiment facts."

Runaway Horse Crashes Into Crowded Surgery

PLYMOUTH.

A RUNAWAY van horse crashed through the window of a Plymouth surgery in which thirty-one women and children were waiting recently scattering them in panic and injuring two of them seriously.

The horse had taken fright some distance away, in Patna place. Its driver, Alfred Millman, put on the brakes and tugged at the reins, but the van had gathered momentum, and it slid down the steep hill of Harwell-street.

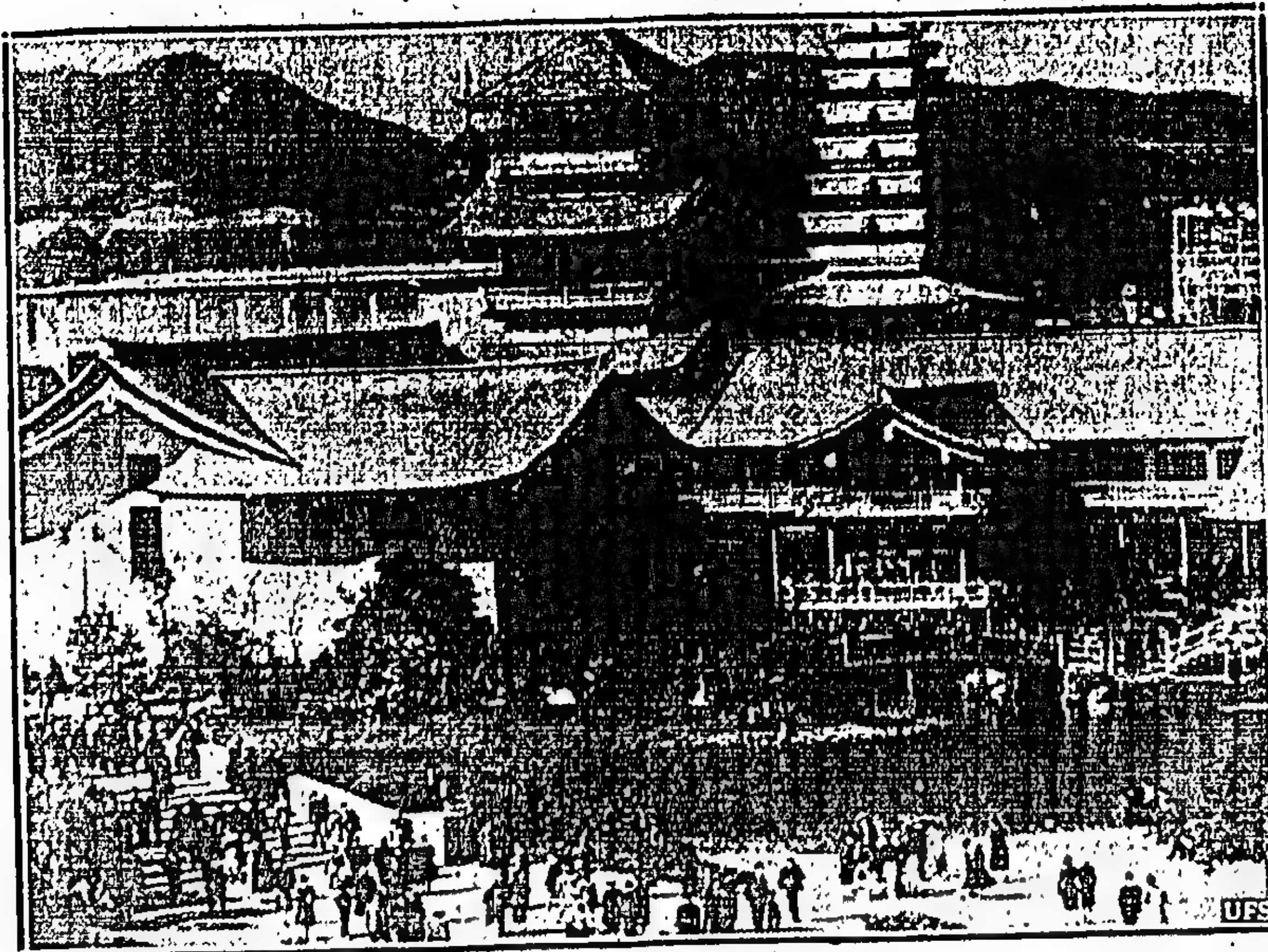
One of the patients, Mrs. A. Metchett, who was sitting with her back to the window, was struck by one of the hooves. Her shoulder was broken and she was badly cut.

THROWN 12 FEET Her sister-in-law, Mrs. W. Hine, was thrown twelve feet across the room against a partition, and injured by broken glass.

A piece of plate glass three-quarters of an inch thick and three feet square crashed on top of her baby's pram, but the child was uninjured.

Other women were hurled from their seats. As the horse stamped about they fought to escape into the inner surgery through a narrow opening wall.

They were rampaging on each other when Dr. Ryall ran in from his consulting-room. "The surgery was a shambles," he said. "Several women had fainted, others had been cut by the flying glass."



Spanish Art Treasures Are Undamaged

GENEVA.

ART-LOVERS all over the world will be relieved to know that the masterpieces from the Spanish galleries, now housed in the League building, are in a perfect state of preservation, after having been stored in packing-cases for well over two years.

The committee of 12 experts have opened 100 packing-cases, of the 1,800 odd containing such priceless art gems as Velasquez's "Philip IV," "The Drunkards," and his marvellous "Christ on the Cross."

Other paintings, stripped of their oilcloth wrappings, as art experts of Britain, France, Spain and Switzerland watched with bated breath, are the "Maya" of Goya, which portrays the Duchess of Alba of those days dressed and undressed.

After seeing that these paintings were undamaged, the experts returned them back to the cases.

Marvellous tapestries, some of them designed by Goya, from the Escorial and the Royal Palace of Madrid, were also unpacked. They, too, are undamaged after running the gauntlet of Franco's bombs for almost two years.

AN INVENTORY Other pictures unpacked are masterpieces of Murillo, Rubens, Ribera, El Greco, Titian and the three famous paintings of Raphael from the Prado Gallery. "The Portent of a Cardinal," "The Holy Family," and the "Virgin and the Fish," all paintings by Raphael. The 12 experts, who have never seen so many art marvels collected under one roof, will continue their work for over a month, and will draw up an inventory of the treasures.

ARMED GUARD Armed policemen guard the League Library, where the pictures are, and nobody is allowed to enter.

It is expected that the exhibition of Spanish treasures in the League building will not open until after Easter.

Admirals Call For More Destroyers

WHEN the Navy Estimates were considered on report in the House of Commons recently, Rear-Admiral Sir M. Suetter (Con., Hereford) said he considered that to spend £70,000,000 on seven battleships was a waste of money. We should not be getting the right weapon.

He would sooner see some of the money spent on small destroyers and other small vessels for hunting the submarine.

Mr. A. F. Herbert (Ind., Oxford University) said that he served in the convoy section in the last year of the war, and he agreed that we wanted more destroyers.

Vice-Admiral Taylor (Con., S. Paddington) also emphasised the necessity for more smaller craft, and considered that a base at Milford Haven was essential.

STABILISING FACTOR Mr. G. H. Shakespeare, Financial Secretary to the Admiralty, said the Anglo-German Naval Treaty had been a stabilising factor in naval rearmament, and had been of mutual advantage both to Germany and ourselves.

It must be said in all fairness that the treaty had been most scrupulously kept both by ourselves and by Germany.

If Germany denounced the treaty the Admiralty would be released from any obligation arising out of the scrapping of the Royal Sovereign. He could only repeat that the 20 escort vessels they were building were more than the equivalent of two flotillas of destroyers. There were 43 destroyers on the stocks apart from the 20 escort ships.

The question of Pembroke Dock would no doubt be resurveyed in the light of changing circumstances in relation to the whole question of dock facilities.

The report stage was concluded.

Fifth Generations Of Boones

BUTTE, Mont.

The Daniel Boone family entered into its fifth generation, when a son was born here to Mr. and Mrs. James Allen Boone. Boone is a fourth generation descendant of the famous Indian scout, trapper and Kentucky hero.

Acid Changed Foreign Eggs Into English

AN egg merchant was said at an Oxford Police Court recently to have removed with acid the marks of origin from foreign eggs and to have sold the eggs as English new laid.

It was a system of fraud which the merchant—Dennis Crawford, Dorington Woolley, aged thirty-two, of Tidewell-road, Eastbourne—admitted.

He appeared on three charges of obtaining 18s. 4d., £9 5s., and £10 2s. 6d. by false pretences at Oxford, asked for seventeen other similar cases throughout the country to be considered, and was sentenced to nine months' imprisonment.

It was also alleged that eggs supplied to people by Woolley were short of the number invoiced and paid for. He had been using various names, it was said.

When he was arrested he said that he was "caught fair and square."

Charming spot at the Golden Gate Exposition on Treasure Island, San Francisco, is the Japanese Pavilion, built in ancient feudal mansion style and replete with gardens and pools. It has become an outstanding attraction to many of the fair's thousands of visitors.

Operation Remade Body

Although the lower part of his body was crushed under a lorry, 20-year-old Douglas Tucker, of Everington-road, Muswell Hill, N., hopes soon to be able to dance and play tennis.

An operation—the first of its kind to be performed in England—has relieved this feat. The operation which saved his life had been performed twice in the United States before it was attempted here by the doctors of the Royal Northern Hospital, Holloway, N., where Tucker was taken in December, 1937.

When he reached the hospital it was feared that he could not live. But the operation was begun at once and now, after many months in hospital, he is at home making rapid progress.

The operation, which consisted of rearranging the crushed bones and torn ligaments, was performed in eight stages.

One further operation will be carried out during the next few months and then Tucker will have virtually a new stomach.

Tucker said: "I can never thank the hospital enough. I am spending some of my spare time now organising raffles and whist drives for its funds. Perhaps I shall be able to run a dance and if I can dance at it myself my happiness will be complete."

Onward of £250 to Tucker and £175 to his father was recently approved in the King's Bench Division as a result of the court action which arose from the accident.

Three Planes Fly Girl Home

MISS S. MURDOCH who arrived at Arosa, Switzerland, recently for a short holiday, found a telegram waiting for her at her hotel—"Return home at once. Urgent."

Miss Murdoch left for Paris at once by train, spent the night there and boarded a London-bound British Airways plane at Le Bourget.

The plane landed at Croydon an hour later, taxied to where a North Eastern Airways machine was warming up.

Miss Murdoch took her seat in the north-bound plane at once. As she was flying to Glasgow her brother left their home in Belfast by plane.

He arrived at the Belfast airport a few minutes before the plane from London landed at 2.35 p.m.

He greeted his sister and led her into an empty office.

"Mother is dead," he told her. Brother and sister spent twenty minutes at the airport, then boarded a Scottish Airways plane specially chartered to take them to Belfast.

Sophomore On Faculty

Cleveland, O.

Svangors Constantinos, 21, not only is a sophomore at Fenn College, but a faculty member as well. Constantinos, who enrolled at the college this year after spending his freshman year at Athens College in Athens, Greece, teaches the Greek language, free, to all Fenn students and professors interested.

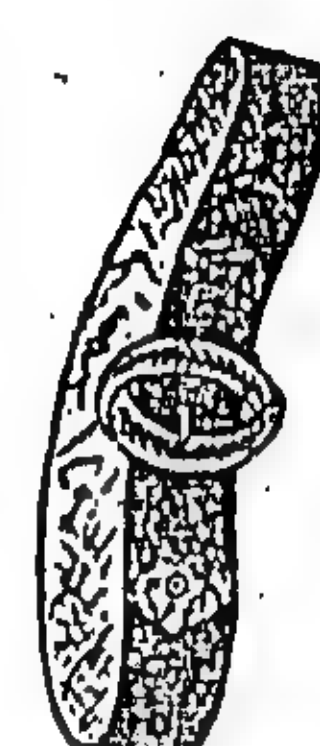
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ROME THREAT TO GREECE

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Britain will take if Greece is threatened as a result of the Italian occupation of Albania.

The extension of an immediate guarantee to Greece, it is understood, will be the principal topic of conversation, together with the despatch of British warships to Greek ports if Greece requests aid.

It is understood that preparations for such an eventuality were the main reason for Sunday's meeting at the headquarters of the Committee for Imperial Defence.

Greek Anxiety

It is understood that the Greek Government conveyed to Britain their anxiety about the 150 mile frontier on Albania, but especially about Corfu, which could be brought under gunfire from the hills of Albania.

Political circles express the belief that a British guarantee to Greece might include the despatch of British warships, with a possible landing of British troops at Corfu, which would thus serve as a base for the British guarantee.

Naval Visits Cancelled

Meanwhile, the Admiralty has cancelled a series of naval visits which were planned in the Mediterranean during Easter, including visits to San Remo, Naples and Sorrento.

H.M.S. Warship, flagship of the Commander-in-Chief, Sir Dudley Pound, and H.M.S. Barham, flagship of the second in command, Vice Admiral Sir Geoffrey Layton, were originally due to spend several days at San Remo and Naples respectively.

Both have arrived but they have already departed from Italian ports. A division of destroyers was also scheduled to spend several days at Sorrento.—United Press.

Anglo-French Action

Paris, Apr. 10. Opinion here is that no spectacular action to counter Mussolini in the Adriatic will be undertaken by Britain and France, but there will be an acceleration of diplomatic talks with London, aiming at obtaining consent from Greece for the utilisation of Corfu as a naval base.

It is learned that the British prefer a diplomatic "arrangement" with Athens for the use of Corfu, instead of open occupation, even with Athens' consent.

It is recalled that the Greeks gave Britain permission to use Corfu as a base during the Anglo-Italian crisis and at the time of the Ethiopian campaign.

The renewal of such an agreement would mean, in effect, that Britain would be able to maintain forces continually at Corfu and thus be ready to repel any attempt by Italy to seize the island, since the British agreement with Athens would evidently be part of a pact of assistance in the event of aggression.

Balance of Power

While British diplomacy is concentrated on the strategic necessity of keeping the balance of power in the Adriatic, Britain and France have moved together in trying to secure closer collaboration between the Soviet and the Balkans.

It is felt that Turkey and Russia together can effectively keep control of the Black Sea and the Dardanelles, no matter what happens in Rumania.

At the same time the Greeks, despite their reluctance to collaborate militarily with Russia, would be prepared to accept Soviet military help against any move by Italy and Bulgaria to secure an outlet to the Aegean Sea for Bulgaria, and this new situation is now being discussed.

Both Britain and France believe that a policy of not openly provoking the Axis powers, through ostentatious action, means valuable time gained to line up the anti-aggression States.

"Hands Off"

The British warning to Italy to keep her hands off Greece is expected to divert the dictators' plans in other directions, thus likely to Yugoslavia unless the Yugo-Slavs consent to enter into a protective system.

Although both British and French official attitude towards the situation is becoming slightly easier, there is a feeling in diplomatic quarters that any respite is only temporary, as the dictators have now launched another phase of lightning moves in the belief that Britain and France will not risk counter measures which, to be effective, would mean war against the Axis.—United Press.

Greek Anxiety

ATHENS, Apr. 10.—With the purpose of quelling public anxiety in Greece the Prime Minister to-day issued a statement stating that the independence and integrity of Greece has been absolutely assured.

This statement is considered to be a confirmation of Britain's guarantee.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE BANK OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Third Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Head Office, No. 6 Des Voeux Road Central, on Saturday, April 22nd, 1939, at 3.00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1938.

The Transfer Register will be closed from April 10th to 22nd, 1939 inclusive.

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T.T. Batavia	53 1/2
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T.T. Saigon	107 1/2
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T.T. Germany	126 1/2
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In Independence to Greece.

However, both British and Greek circles here have declined to reveal whether such a pledge has already been given.—United Press.

Italian Assurance

LONDON, Apr. 10.—Authoritative sources here assert that the Greek Premier's statement in Athens refers to "assurances given by Italy to Greece."

Negotiations between London and Athens are moving towards a British assurance, but up to this afternoon reliable sources state that the British pledge had not been given.—United Press.

Text To Be Released

Paris, Apr. 10. It is learned that Greek papers tomorrow will publish the text of the statement in which the Italian Government guarantees the absolute territorial integrity of Greece, according to a despatch from Athens.—Reuter.

"Reuter" Statement

London, Apr. 10. Reports current to-night of a British guarantee to Greece are not strictly in accordance with the facts, writes "Reuter's" lobby correspondent.

The position after to-day's Cabinet meeting appears to be that the Ministers had under consideration the steps necessary to ensure that, following Italy's occupation of Albania, the position of Greece, including Corfu, is in no way jeopardised.

The Ministers are known to take the view that the present position in the Eastern Mediterranean must not be upset, and it is believed that Italy has already been acquainted with this fact.

In all these matters the closest collaboration is being maintained with France.

Meanwhile, the fact that the British Cabinet does not plan to meet again for another two days indicates that many communications have still to pass before the situation is finally clarified for presentation to the House of Commons on Thursday.—Reuter.

Premier's Assurance

Athens, Apr. 10. Premier Metaxas of Greece to-day issued a message to the people stating that the Government possesses all the means of assuring the absolute independence and integrity of the country.

He advised them to go quietly about their business, confident that the Government will continue to be vigilant for their safety and honour.—Reuter.

Salonika Threatened

London, Apr. 10. It is understood that British and French intelligence services have both reported that Italy "envisages" a thrust through Greece to Salonika.

However, this report is not viewed in official quarters as necessarily indicating immediate military action.—United Press.

Time To Talk Past

Paris, Apr. 10. "France will now take steps to be ready for all emergencies. The time is past," said a French official.

This is the almost unanimous statement in the Paris papers to-day.

"Temps" states that an agreement on "precautionary measures has been reached between London and Paris," although the paper is not able to state what exactly these measures will be.

It is hinted that on Sunday the National Defence Council decided on new measures which will be submitted and supplemented by the Cabinet Council on Tuesday. The Ministerial Council will meet on Wednesday to ratify the measures, and they will then be decreed by the President, M. Lebrun.—Trans-Ocean.

TROOP PLANES LAND IN INTERIOR AREAS

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range for the combined Italian coastal batteries to close the narrow entrance to the Adriatic without the aid of the navy.

One of the first acts of the provisional government in Albania was to release all political prisoners who had been jailed for activities against King Zog.—United Press.

London Comment

London, Apr. 10. At one stroke the Italian dictator has summoned the world against him, observes the "Evening Standard" in discussing Mussolini's Albanian adventure, and its consequences.

Humanity, both Catholic, Protestant and Moslem, have spoken as one voice, continues the comment.

After pointing out that no one believes this blow to be an isolated action, the newspaper discusses the reaction in Britain now, as contrasted with last September, and it says that the feeling of outrage is more widespread, but no sign of panic is evident.—Reuter.

Mussolini Delayed

Rome, Apr. 10. It is reported that Mussolini's trip to Albania has been postponed owing to the tense situation in the Mediterranean.

It is understood that the Government is closely watching international developments, particularly the "unknown destination" of the British and French fleet movements.—United Press.

This Is In The German Style

Rome, Apr. 10. Albanians are falling over each other in their eagerness to express submission and gratitude to Il Duce, according to a "Trans-Ocean" message.

Albanians in all of the principal towns have sent addresses personally thanking Il Duce for sending "valiant troops of a friendly nation" to rescue Albania from "degrading slavery."

The conviction is expressed, says the message, that under the leadership of Mussolini, Albania will experience an era of prosperity and honour, social justice, and Fascist freedom.

In conclusion, Il Duce is urged to form a Fascist Party in Albania as soon as possible.

Count Ciano is reported to have received a telegram to-day from the Citizens' Committee in Elbasan—in which gratitude is expressed to Mussolini, while the citizens of Valona have sent a message to Count Ciano in which the Italian troops are eulogised as the liberators of Albania from an "avaricious and inhuman oligarchy."

"Peace And Co-operation"

In a proclamation to the Albanian people, issued in Tirana to-day, General Guzzoni, chief of the Italian forces, declared that his troops had arrived in Albania to carry out an action of peace and co-operation, and that they had already occupied the important centres of the country.

Public order, the sanctity of private possessions, freedom of religious belief, and the honour and noble tradition of the Albanian people will be guaranteed, he promised, and Albania will enter upon a new era of labour and justice, prosperity, and progress.

Peace And Co-operation (Continued)

Anyone who opposes this programme will be severely punished, he declared, and anyone who attempts to organise resistance to the Italians will be immediately court-martialed.

"Albanians!" he declared in conclusion, "the King and Il Duce are interested only in your welfare. Return to your work under the protection of the Fascists. A great future is beginning for Albania."—Trans-Ocean.

Berat Occupied

Tirana, Apr. 10. The Italian military command in Albania announces that the Italian forces which landed at Valona on the southern coast of Albania on Monday reached Berat, important town about 35 miles north-east of Valona.—Domel.

"Early Bird" By Proxy

PHILADELPHIA. When a Philadelphia theatre offered special prices of \$1 a seat for "first come, first seated"—J. H. Vernon hired eight telegraph messenger boys to go to the theatre early and obtain good orchestra seats for himself and his seven guests.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

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Chartered 1,390
Mercantile, A. & B. 1,390
Mercantile, C. 1,390
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Douglas 68
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Indo-China 24
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Waterboats 80

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Wharves 105
Docks 105
New Eng. Sh. 400
Sha. Docks 101 1/2

MINING
Kallan 18
Rauhs 8
Venz 3
Hongkong Mines 4
Atoka 30
Angulo Gold 24 1/2
Benquet Cons. 11 1/2
Coco Grove 35
Demonstrations 13
Hoyang 52
Cammarines 25 1/2
San Maricelo 1 1/2
Suyoc Consols 16 1/2
Paracles 60

LANDS
Hotels 5 1/2
Lands 3 1/2
Lands 4 1/2
Shal Lands 8 1/2
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H.K. Realties 4 1/2
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UTILITIES
Trans 10 1/2
Peak Trans (old) 8
Peak Trans (new) 8
Star Ferries 67 1/2
Y. Ferries (old) 24 1/2
Y. Ferries (new) 24
China Lights (old) 8 1/2
China Lights (new) 5 1/2
Macao Electric 55 1/2
Sandakan Lights 10 1/2
Telephones (old) 23
Telephones (new) 7 1/2
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Queen Mary's 10th Play In 3 Weeks

Queen Mary was at the Garrick Theatre recently to see "The Mother," Karel Capek's last play. It was her tenth visit to the theatre in three weeks.

Earlier she visited the Savoy Theatre for the same evening performance of the Comedie Francaise company, and the evening before she had seen the Edgarr Wallace play, "Number Six," at the Aldwych Theatre.

In her ten visits she has seen three thrillers, "Number Six," "Gas Light," and "The Walk Alone."

SPOKE TO LEADING LADY. Princess Alice Countess of Athlone and Lady Maud Carnegie were in Queen Mary's party.

On her arrival Queen Mary chatted with Miss Kathleen Robinson, an Australian, who is presenting the leading part.

Queen Mary, who is 71, thoroughly enjoys all her visits to the theatre. She joins warmly in the applause at the end of the performances.

COURT OBEYED

ELBERT HALL, arrested on a charge of begging, pleaded for mercy before the judge and swore to leave town "on the run" if given his freedom.

"Very well," said the judge. "Take it on the run." Hall then sprinted out of the court room, and was reported still running near the city limits.

TASTE AND SMELL. Mrs. Elizabeth Platt of Manchester, who lost her sense of taste and smell as a result of injuries received in a motor accident, has been awarded £500 damages. The judge made this statement to the jury: "Imagine what it would be like not to know the difference between eating chalk and cheese."

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MOSLEM CONDEMNATION

LONDON, Apr. 10.—Leading Moslems at a meeting in London to-day demanded that Signor Mussolini renounce the title of "Defender of Islam," which he assumed after the Abyssinian conquest.

The meeting also urged that the Oriental Academy opened in Italy five years ago should be closed as a protest against Fascist propaganda in India, Egypt, and the East.

The meeting sent a deputation to the Italian Embassy to communicate these demands.—Reuter.

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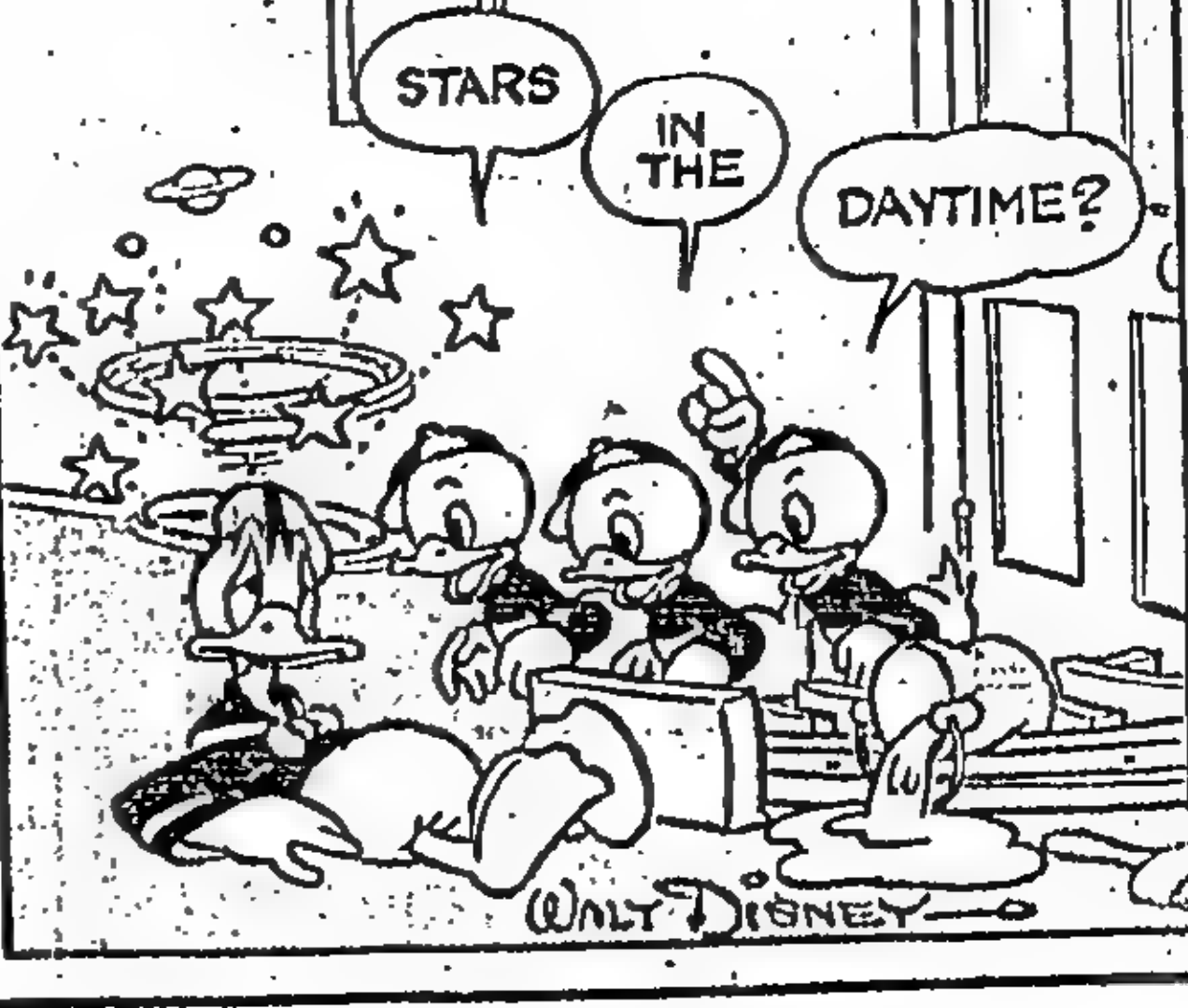
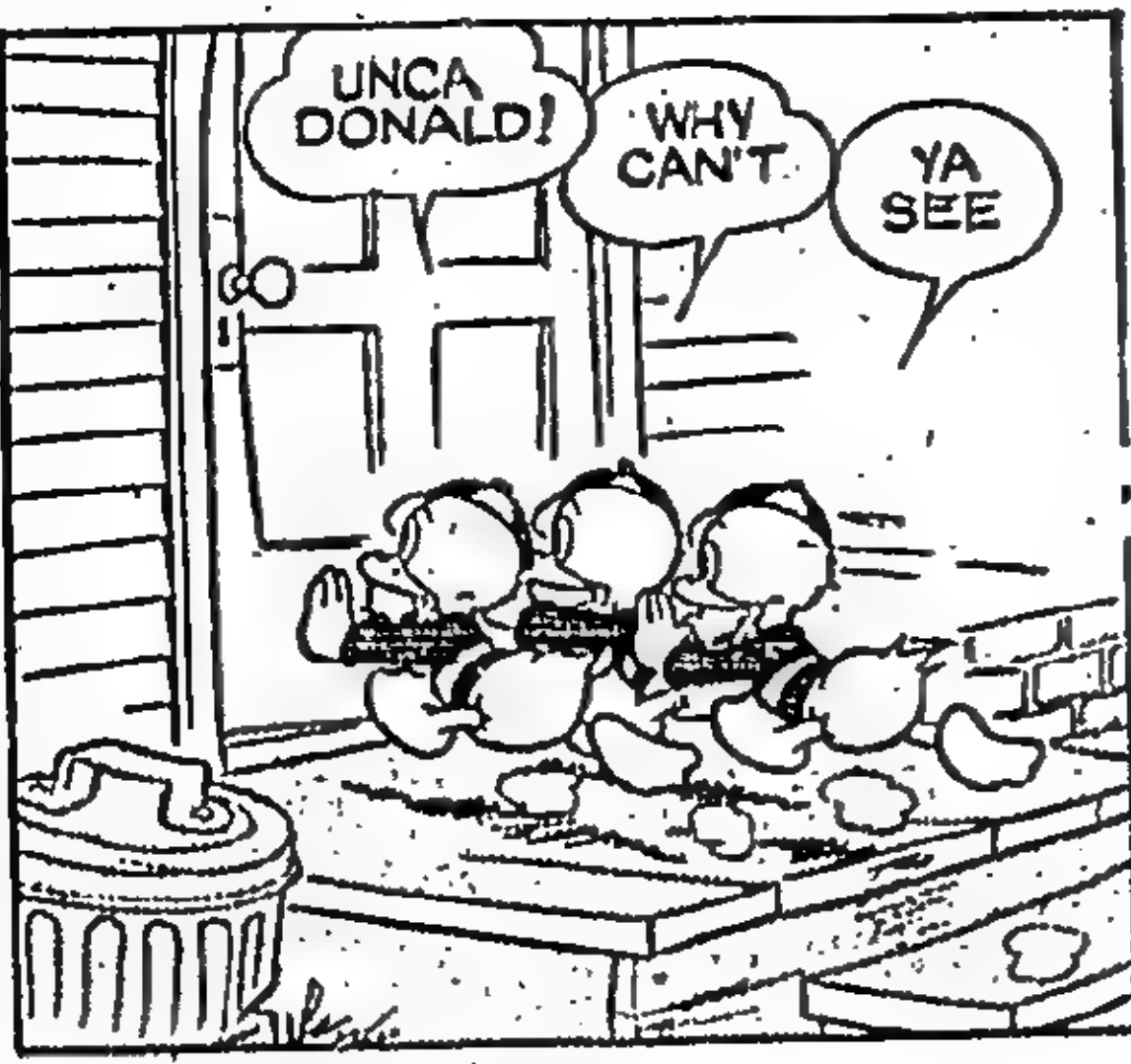
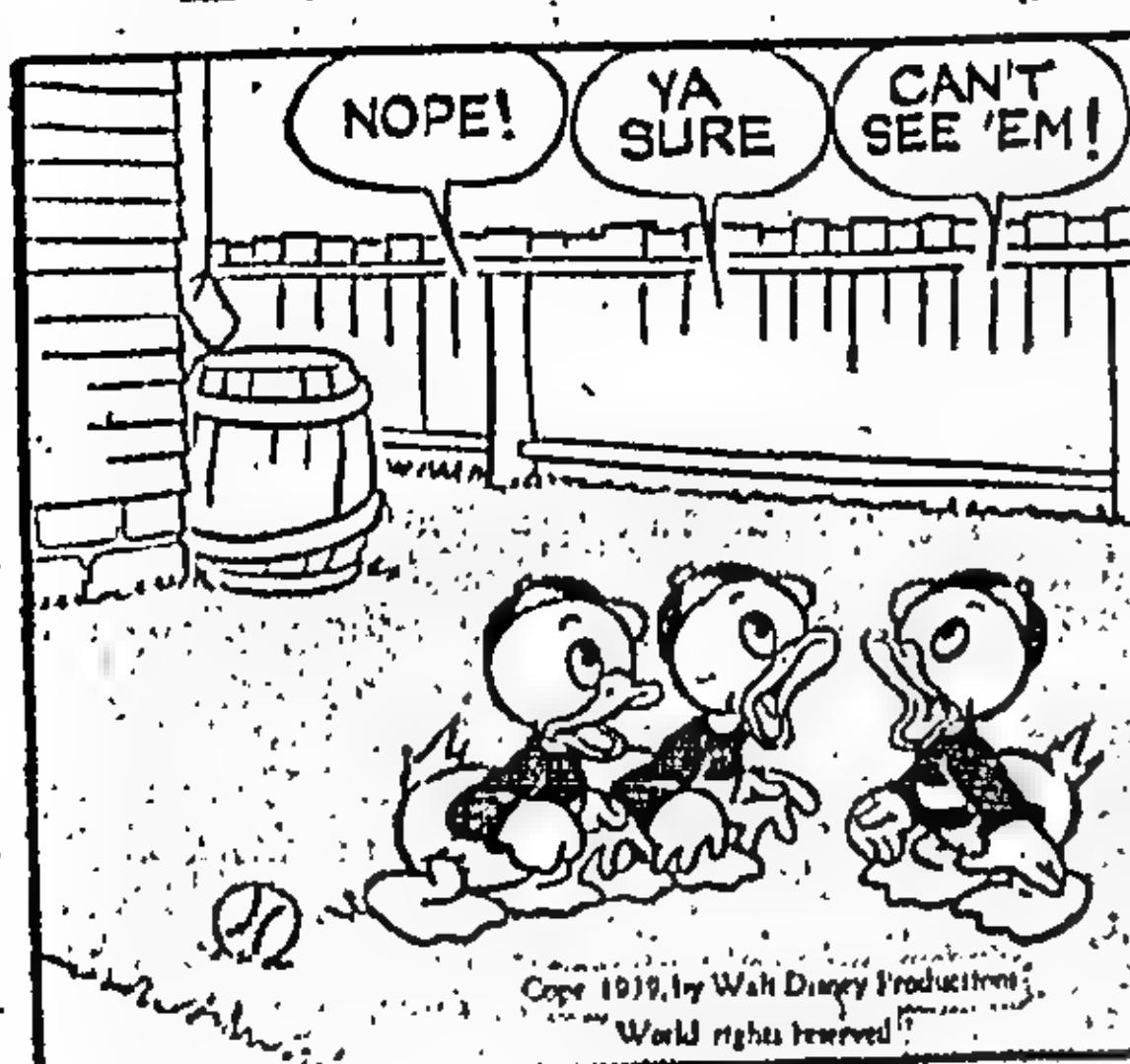
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date, 9th March	Suiyang	April 11
Shanghai and Swatow	Van Houtz	April 11
Amoy	Vitorlock	April 11
Japan	Canton Maru	April 12
Formosa		
Straits and Europe via Suez (Papers etc.)	Carthage	April 12
London date, 10th March and London	Empress of Canada	April 12
date, 9th March		
Manila		
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 5th April	Imperial Airways Plane	April 12
Shanghai and Amoy	Soochow	April 12
Shanghai and Swatow	Taiyuan	April 12
Saigon	Jean Laborde	April 13
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 18th March)	Pres. Adams	April 13
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 24th March)	Pres. Taft	April 13
Java	Tjibadak	April 13
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 5th April	Pan American Airways Plane	April 14
Japan	Rakuyo Maru	April 14
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 17th March)		
Straits	Asama Maru	April 15
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 8th April	Diomed	April 15
Manila		
Calcutta and Straits	Imperial Airways Plane	April 15
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Australia and Manila	Kulsang	April 16
	Ajax	April 16
	Kamo Maru	April 20

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For	Per	Date and Time.
Tuesday		
Haiphong	Canton	Tues., April 11, 2 p.m.
Swatow and Amoy	Anhui	Tues., April 11, 2.30 p.m.
Fort Bayard	Jean Dupuis	Tues., April 11, 2.30 p.m.
Saigon	Anno Maru	Tues., April 11, 3.30 p.m.
Chuncheow and Foochow	Sandviken	Tues., April 11, 3.30 p.m.
Sandakan	Woolgar	Tues., April 11, 3.30 p.m.
Wednesday		
Swatow, Chuncheow and Foochow	Holhow	Wed., April 12, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Tsingang	Wed., April 12, 1.30 p.m.
Thursday		
Canton	Canton Maru	Thurs., April 13, 7.15 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Carthage	Thurs., April 13, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Jean Laborde	
Haiphong	Taiyuan	Thurs., April 13, 1.30 p.m.
Amoy	Taiyuan	Thurs., April 13, 3 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 20th April	Imperial Airways Plane	Thurs., April 13, 3.30 p.m.
	K.F.O.	
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Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America via Vancouver B.C. and (Parcels and Papers only for Canada)—due Vancouver B.C. 3rd May and Europe (except Great Britain and Elre) via Siberia	Empress of Canada	Thurs., April 13, 7 p.m.
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Friday		
Swatow	Tsingang	Fri., April 14, 8.30 a.m.
Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and Air France Plane		Fri., April 14, 8.30 a.m.
France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service."	Reg.	Fri., April 14, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Fri., April 14, 5.30 p.m.
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	Reg.	Fri., April 14, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Fri., April 14, 5.30 p.m.
	G.F.O.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 12th May.	Parcels	Fri., April 14, 5 p.m.
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OBITUARY

Sudden Death Of U.S. Politician

Washington, Apr. 9. Senator J. Hamilton Lewis, Democrat, Illinois, died here to-night of a heart attack.

The Senator entered the Garfield Hospital this afternoon after returning from Chicago where he participated in the city election campaign—United Press.

James Hamilton Lewis was United States Senator from Illinois during the period covering the World War. Lewis, better known to the public as "J. Ham", or even plain "Ham", was a lawyer of great ability, a writer of distinction and an orator of force.

Lewis was born in Danville, Virginia, on May 18, 1866. During the early part of his career, he became conspicuous for a heavy growth of whiskers of an almost pink shade. He left Virginia immediately after graduation from the University of Virginia and went to the state of Washington, where he practised law in several northwestern cities.

Lewis served well and actively during the Spanish-American war, first upon the staff of General Brooks in Cuba and later upon the staff of General Grant in Porto Rico.

Lewis distinguished himself when he was appointed by President McKinley as special representative of the United States to Ottawa, to regulate the matters of the customs charges on the border of British Columbia and the Pacific northwest states.

His work on the Ottawa commission had been so successful that he was appointed to serve upon the commission named to settle the Alaskan boundary and kindred disputes.

In 1905 he moved to Chicago where he was to live during the greater part of the remainder of his life. Here he resumed his law practice, began in Washington state, and was chosen corporation counsel for Chicago in 1905.

He co-operated with Prof. A. H. Putney in the volume, "Laws and Decisions Upon Elections", and also "The Two Great Republics, Rome and the United States". For this latter work he was made a member of the Geographical and Historical Society of Paris. He is also the author of a standard work on international law.

In 1912 he was the unanimous nominee by the primary vote of the Illinois Democrats for United States senate and was elected to the senate by the legislature in 1913. He served in the senate for six years and because of the satire and stinging powers of his tongue and the influence he wielded within his own party was made party whip.

President Wilson honored him by selecting him as a member of the International Conference for Law and Safety at Sea, assembled in London in January, 1914, just prior to the events which led up to the great war.

REFUGEE CHILDREN

Local Orphanage Inmates Guests of Sir Robert

Sir Robert Ho Tung was host on Easter Sunday to over 250 refugee children from Hankow, now "mothered" by Sir Robert's daughter, Dr. Irene Ho Tung, the Director of the Orphanage.

Sir Robert welcomed the visitors, and encouraged them to do their best in their studies and make the most of their training, so that when they grew up they could be of the greatest service to their country and society. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves in the garden of Sir Robert's Peak residence, the most favoured spot of which was perhaps the swimming pool. The huge tortoise of perhaps a hundred years old, the monkey, and other animals, added great interest. Lunch and tea were served in the garden.

The orphanage is run by the National Association for the Care of War Orphans (Hongkong Branch), which is maintained entirely by voluntary contributions. There are three units of the orphanage, one at Yuen Long in the New Territories for children from Canton and the border of Hongkong, and two at the Old Government Civil Hospital, one of which specially caters for babies and kindergarten children. Altogether there are almost 400 children, who are not only housed and fed, but given an all-round education, with half a day for studies and the other half for manual training.

Fund Required

During the next few months an intensive campaign will be launched in endeavour to put the Orphanage on a sound financial footing, and to raise an Endowment Fund. Many of the children may have to be supported for ten or more years. The Government has kindly allotted Saturday, April 22, for a "Flower Day", when the children, assisted by local school children, will go round selling over 10,000 flowers which they are making themselves.

On May 20 and June 3, two Children's Fairs will be held, one at Kowloon and the other at Sir Robert's residence. Admission tickets will be 50 cents each, and there will be a number of interesting attractions, including a Mickey Mouse cinema, a children's dress parade, one or two raffles, and, perhaps, a miniature zoo, pony rides, and side shows.

Further particulars will be announced later, but already a committee of over thirty European and Chinese ladies are working hard on the preparations.

It is hoped that the street sale of flowers, and the two fairs will be a thorough success, as the idea of helping to relieve the distress of China's innocent little sufferers and of training the future builders of a better China appeals to every one. It will be an opportunity for more fortunate children to assist those less fortunate.

Accusation False

Juvenile Alleges Was Beaten By Detective

Sentence of three months' hard labour and a recommendation for banishment was imposed by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday on Chan Nam, 27, unemployed, who was convicted of receiving a pair of gold earrings, and unlawful possession of two jade drops at Wanchai on Friday.

Allegations had been made by a juvenile who was charged with the accused, that he had been beaten by a Chinese detective in order to make him say that defendant had asked him to commit the offence. These were refuted yesterday.

Detective-Sergeant T. Cashman said he had made investigations into the allegations, and had had Detective C560 pointed out to him by the juvenile as the man who had beaten him. The boy also said the detective had struck him with a stick. No stick of the nature described was found, and when sent to the Queen Mary Hospital for examination, the boy was found to be free of marks. The detective accused, said Sgt. Cashman, did not have charge of the case.

C560 said that he had never assaulted the boy. He admitted having questioned the youngster when he was brought to the Station, as he was on duty at the time. Witness had asked the boy if he had stolen the earrings, and the boy admitted doing so.

Defendant denied receiving or having possession of the earrings and jade drops, and declared that the boy walking in the street when the boy snatched the earrings. The woman, victim, the accused defendant of receiving. Defendant alleged that he had been assaulted, as well as the boy.

On the man's conviction, Sgt. Cashman presided a previous conviction for receiving against accused, and mentioned that he had also been sent out of the Colony under the Emergency Regulations.

WOMAN PUNISHED

Used Juvenile to Carry Lottery Tickets

A basket containing 15,565 Macao po-pu lottery tickets, said to be worth \$6,650, was exhibited in a case before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday, in which a woman, Wong Nai, 36, was charged with their possession, and with making a juvenile carry them.

District Watchman 68, Leung Ho, said he saw a woman who was carrying a basket notting suspiciously in Connaught Road Central on Saturday, and followed her. She went into the Tai Loi boarding-house, and witness went into the room next to the one which she occupied. Peeping through a hole, he could see several parcels being laid out on a bed, and defendant was amongst the many people in the room.

Witness kept watch, and later saw defendant, accompanied by a young girl of about 14 years, leaving the boarding-house. He followed and saw them walking in Connaught Road. The girl was carrying a basket, and witness arrested them.

The girl, giving evidence, was very reluctant to say who gave her the basket to carry, and was warned by his Worship that she would be punished for perjury if she did not tell the truth. She finally admitted that defendant was the one who gave her the basket.

The defendant was found guilty, and a previous conviction for possession of lottery tickets three years ago was produced.

Fining the woman \$350, or six months' hard labour, his Worship remarked that she could consider four months of the sentence was imposed to conceal herself. April 3.

Passing sentence, his Worship said he would have taken a much more serious view of the case if the defendant had been a little older, but the case was already serious in that two people had conspired to rob a third.

BRITISH ATTITUDE STIFFENS

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Albanian "Appeal"

Rome, Apr. 10.

Wireless stations broadcast a speech at Tirana by the President of the Albanian Administrative Council, milice condemning the Albanian administration, which he alleged was bringing the country to the brink of civil war.

"Our only hope lay in the beloved Il Duce," he said. "You, Il Duce, have given us everything."

The speaker made an appeal to Il Duce to form an Albanian Fascist Party.—Reuter.

WARSHIPS FOR GREECE?

London, Apr. 10.

At a special Cabinet meeting today, the extension of an immediate guarantee to Greece is understood will be the principal topic for discussion, together with the despatch of British warships to Greek ports if Greece requests such a move.

Preparations for such an eventuality were the main reason for Sunday's meeting at the headquarters of the Committee of Imperial Defence.

The Greek Government, it is understood, has conveyed to the British Government its anxiety about its 150 miles of frontier with Albania, but especially about Corfu which could be brought under gunfire from the Albanian hills.

Political circles therefore believe that the British guarantee to Greece might include the despatch of British warships with the possible funding of British troops in Albania, which would thus serve as a base of the British guarantee.

Meanwhile the Admiralty has cancelled the programme of the series of naval visits planned in the Mediterranean for the Easter week-end.

No spectacular action to counter Signor Mussolini's use of the Adriatic or Mediterranean will be undertaken by Britain or France, but there will be acceleration of diplomatic talks, with London aiming to obtain the consent of Greece to utilise Corfu as a naval base. It is understood the British prefer a diplomatic arrangement with Athens to permit the use of Corfu instead of open occupation. Such an arrangement would mean, in effect, that Britain will be able to maintain forces continually at Corfu ready to repel any attempt by Italy to seize the island, since the British agreement with Athens would evidently be part of a pact of assistance in the event of aggression.

While British diplomacy is concentrated on the strategic necessity of keeping the balance of power at the Adriatic entrance, France and Britain are moving together to try and secure closer collaboration between the Soviet and Balkan Powers. It is felt that Turkey and Russia together can effectively keep control of the Black Sea and the Dardanelles no matter what happens in Rumania.

At the same time the Greeks, despite a reluctance similar to that of Rumania and Poland to collaborate militarily with Russia, would be prepared to accord Soviet military help against an Italo-Bulgarian move to secure an outlet to the Aegean Sea for Bulgaria.—United Press.

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12.0-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Raymond Newell (Baritone) and The New Light Symphony Orchestra.

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3.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Rale Da Costa (Piano). "Whoopee"—Medley (Kahn and Donaldson); "Monte Carlo"—Medley (Whitling and Harding); "The Night Club Kings"; "Goodnight Vienna"—Medley; "Sunshine Suse"—Medley... with Harry Jacobson (Piano).

1.15 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.30 Dance Music.

Slow Fox-Trot—Star Dust Covered Bunkie; Fox-Trot—My Shadow's Where My Sweetheart Used To Be; Waltz—Moonlight On The Prairie (film same)... Joe Loss and His Orchestra.

1.40 Relay of the Rotary Tiffin Speech from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

2.15 Close down.

6.0 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

7.0 Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.02 An hour of Variety with Gracie Fields, Arthur Askey, Charlie Kunz and Murgatroyd and Winterbottom.

Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. 109; Intro: Sympathy; You needn't have kept it a secret; You're here, you're there; So Rare; Stardust on the moon; That old feeling... Charlie Kunz (Piano) with Rhythm Accompaniment; We've Got To Keep Up With The Joneses (Rutherford, Elliott); Winter Draws On (Haines, Harper)... Gracie Fields (Vocal) with Orchestra; The Seaside (Frankau-Hendley-Crick); Clothes (Frankau-Hendley-Crick)... Murgatroyd and Winterbottom; (Two minds with not a single thought) with Monte Crick at the Piano; I Stumbled Over Love—Fox-Trot... Roy Fox and His Orchestra with Vocal by Denny Dennis; Love, Forever I Adore You (Miller and De

Michell); In Your Arms To-night (Lockton and Gechi)... Ronald Orchard (Tenor) with Violin and Piano; Waltz Medley... Harry Roy's Tiger-Ragmuffins; Woolf Yapi Bow-Wow! (Damerell, Tilsley); Have A Bit Of Pity On The Crooner (Askey-Barber)... Arthur Askey (Vocal) with Small Orchestra; La Corrida (Valverde); Serenata (Mits, arr. Rudd)... Casanova Solo by "Le Argentina" with Orchestra; Belle D'Amour (Shelton and Brooks)... Serge Krotloff (Guitar); Tango, Delle Rose—Tango... Serge Krotloff and His Hawaiians; Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. D.8; Intro. The greatest mistake of my life; Let us be sweethearts over again; Ten pretty girls; Moon at sea; No more you; Wake up and live... Charlie Kunz (Piano) with Rhythm Accompaniment.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Albert Sandler and His Orchestra.

Fantasia On Irish Airs (arr. Jules Muller); Where The Woods Are Green (Brodszky—arr. Weninger); Tell Me To-night (from same); Waltzes From Theatre-Land; Si Mes Vers Avenit Des Altes (Hahn).

8.28 Songs by Millia Korlus (Soprano).

Ball Song ("Lakme"—Delibes); Oriental Prayer ("Lakme"—Delibes)... with the Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Bruno Seidler-Winkler.

8.37 Selections from Light Opera. "Chu Chin Chow"—Selection (Norton)... The London Palladium Orchestra cond. by Richard Green; "Flowerdew"—Vocal Gems (Stuart)... Light Opera Company with Orch.; "Dollar Princess"—Medley (Hall)... Nat Shilkret and His Orchestra; "The Chocolate Soldier"—Vocal Gems (O. Straus)... The Columbia Light Opera Company with Orchestra.

9.15 London Relay—The News.

9.30 London Relay—Food for Thought.

Short talks on matters of topical interest.

9.45 London Relay—Sports News and Market Notes.

9.50 Songs by Theodore Chailapine (Bass).

The Two Grenadiers (Schumann); Midnight Reveal (Glinka)... with Hays (Baritone); Eugene Goossens; Arise, Red Sun (Russian Folk Song); Song of the Needy Pilgrim (Nekrasoff-Mankin)... with the Afonsky Choir and Balalaika Orchestra.

10.05 Tchaikowsky—Waltz from "The Sleeping Beauty".

Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

10.11 Tchaikowsky—Symphony No. 5 in E Minor, Op. 64.

New Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Landon Ronald.

11.0 Close down.

Dummy Baulks Thieves

Melbourne, Australia.

A ruse to foil auto thieves has been perfected by a local motorist. It is a lifelike figure of himself, clad in his usual business suit, top coat and felt hat, which he leaves sitting in the car at the wheel while he is absent.

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SIR STANLEY COLVILLE

Famous English Admiral Who Had Active Career

London, Apr. 10.

The death is announced of Admiral Sir Stanley Colville.—Reuter.

Stanley Cecil James Colville, was born in February 1861, the son of the 11th Baron Colville of Culross.

Trained for the navy, he was in South African waters at the time of the Zulu war of 1879 and saw active service as a member of a landing force. He next fought in Egypt, taking part in the bombardment of Alexandria which followed Arabi Pasha's revolt, and also in the subsequent land operations which ended in the surrender of Arabi and the occupation of Cairo. Again in Egypt in 1884, he was an officer of the force which fought its way along the Nile and into the Sudan, but which arrived at Khartoum just too late to save Gen. Gordon.

Service ashore once more claimed him in Egypt in 1890 when he took part in the Dongola expedition and was severely wounded. He was then promoted captain. His duties thereafter were confined to the sea.

In 1905 he was made naval A.D.C. to the King, and in 1912, when he had reached the rank of Vice-Admiral and had been knighted, he was in command of the First Battle Squadron. Holding that command when the World War began, he was employed for the first two years on special service and also with the rank of Admiral took part in the operations of the Grand Fleet. In 1916 he was made Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth and held that command till the end of the war when he received the G.C.M.G.

The King then made him his first and principal naval A.D.C. and he held that post until he retired from

GOODWILL—FLIGHT

Japanese Monoplane On Way to Iran

Tokyo, April 10.

The monoplane Soyokaze of the Japan Aviation Corporation arrived at Canton from Taihoku at 11.35 a.m. today, finishing the second leg of its "goodwill" flight from Tokyo to Teheran, capital of Iran.—Domei.

SCHEDULE CANCELLED

The new summer schedule under which the Imperial Airways mail service was to arrive to-day, has been cancelled, and as a result the plane will not reach here until to-morrow afternoon. This is the same time as before, but it is understood that the schedule will be put into operation towards the end of the month.

AIR SERVICES

Arrivals and Departures Of Planes

Outward

For London, Australia and British Countries: Imperial Airways 7 a.m. April 11; Imperial Airways 7 a.m. April 14.

For Chungking, Sian, etc. Eurasia and C.N.A.C. service indefinite.

For U.S.A., via Manila and Guam: Pan American Clipper April 14.

For France, via Hanoi: Air France 6.30 a.m. April 15.

Inward

From London, Australia and British countries: Imperial Airways 6 p.m. April 12; Imperial Airways 6 p.m. April 15.

From U.S.A., via Guam, and Manila: Pan American Clipper April 13.

From Chungking, Yunnanfu, Kweilin: C.N.A.C., Eurasia, Service indefinite.

From France, via Hanoi: Air France p.m. April 13.

the navy in 1922. In 1927 he was made Rear-Admiral of the United Kingdom, an honorary and ancient office which at one time carried with it the powers of Deputy Lord High Admiral—powers now vested in the Board of Admiralty. In September, 1929, he was promoted to the similar, but higher post of Vice-Admiral of the United Kingdom.

Girl, 16, In Love With Ex-Convict

Ex-convict Harry Armstrong, 38-years-old manservant, of Seaford, Sussex, of the Old Bailey recently was sentenced to death for the murder of his sweetheart, Peggy Irene Violet Pentecost, aged 16, of Brighton, in a Waterloo-road, S.E., hotel.

He smirked as Mr. Justice Humphreys said to him: "I am afraid you have brought to an end a bad life of which the jury knew nothing."

"The jury knew Armstrong as a soberly dressed man, who told in a matter-of-fact voice of his movements—the alibi which failed—on the night of the murder."

But the police knew him as a man who had many previous convictions.

INJURED GIRL

In 1925, at 24, he was sentenced to 15 months' imprisonment at Surrey Assizes for wounding a young woman, Mabel Brown, on Sunningdale Golf Course.

He was originally charged with attempting to murder the girl, who in her evidence said that she was sitting with Armstrong in a shelter when he caught hold of her. She recovered consciousness to find her throat injured.

In February 1928, at the Mansion House, Armstrong was found guilty for breaking into the house of the Rev. J. G. Simpson, Canon of St. Paul's, at Amen-court, E.C.

In the next three years he was sentenced to 31 months' imprisonment at Surrey Assizes, Hampshire Assizes and London Sessions for house breaking, shopbreaking, and larceny.

He made his first appearance at the Old Bailey in April 1931, when he was sentenced to three years' penal servitude for housebreaking.

JURY THANKED

Recently, when the jury returned after a 40 minutes' absence, Armstrong told them, "I appreciate everything you have done. No doubt you have had a difficult task."

"In spite of your verdict, I am not guilty of the murder of Irene Pentecost."

But Mr. Justice Humphreys, before passing the death sentence, said: "The evidence most amply justified the verdict."

BARBARA GILMAR

May Give Another Recital In the Colony

Arriving from Shanghai by the Corfu on Thursday this week is Miss Barbara Gilmar, soprano, noted in Hongkong for her broadcasts for Z.B.W. and her recital in the Rose Room, Peninsula Hotel, in January.

She has just completed an engagement at the Lyceum Theatre in Shanghai to sing in oratorio. Accompanying her in the Corfu, en route to Bangkok, is Miss Mary Stewart, contralto, who has been appearing with Miss Gilmar in Shanghai.

Miss Barbara Gilmar will be staying in the Colony for a few weeks, and it is understood that she is likely to be appearing again before a Hongkong audience in May, if not earlier.

Philippines Send Band

MANILA, P. I.

The Philippine Army band, 110 men and a famed conductor, will represent the Philippine Commonwealth at the grand opening of the Golden Gate exposition in San Francisco. The maestro, Lieut.-Col. Walter H. Loving, predicted "our band will be second to none."

Serum Spray Cure For Flu

Moscow.

Treatment of influenza by a new method—inhalation of a spray of serum developed from a horse—is stated to have given favourable results.

In the first mass experiments a group of employees of Mustorg, Russia's biggest department store, in the centre of Moscow, inhaled the spray of this serum.

Another group was inoculated with the serum, which was developed from a virus grown under the skin of a horse after it had been exposed to the influenza germs.

MORE TESTS

The animal caught the illness, developed a powerful anti-influenza virus, and recovered.

After the experiment of inhaling the spray of the serum, a second group of employees was organised to correlate results of tests on those inoculated.

Preliminary results are said to be extremely encouraging. Those given the serum were found to recover more quickly and to develop complications less frequently than those from which the serum was withheld.

In the British and American research on true epidemic influenza—as opposed to the "influenza cold"—the only susceptible animals have been ferrets and apes. For a horse to be able to produce an anti-serum it would also have to be susceptible. In this country the serum has been given by injection as distinct from inhalation.

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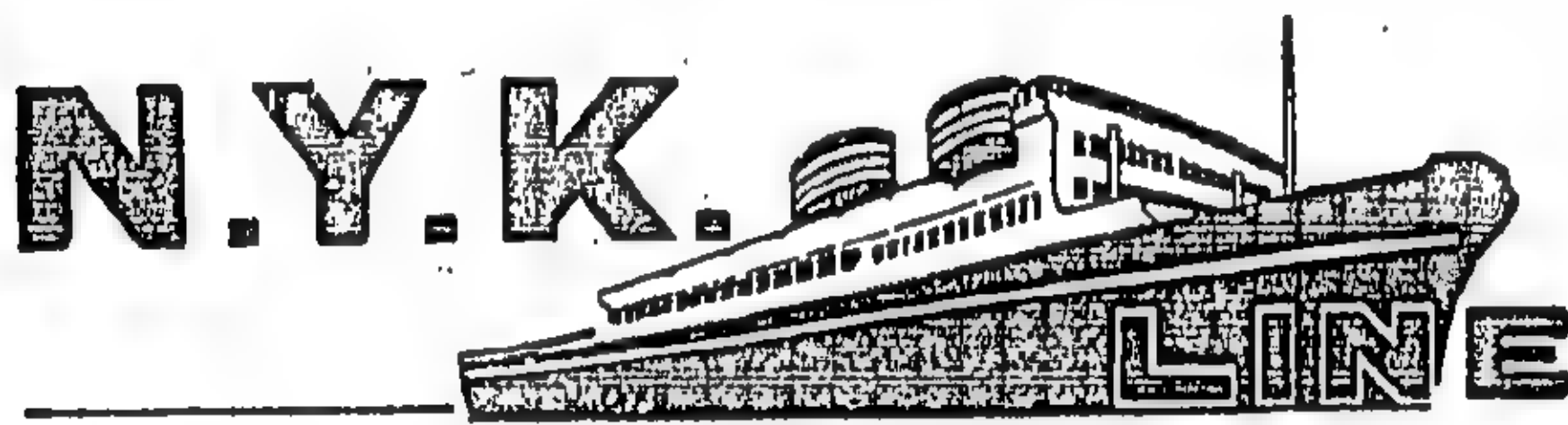
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Democracy and Religion

DEMOCRACY, assailed from within and without, is taking stock. In the process, those who believe it to be the finest form of government yet developed are discovering how essential a good God is to good government.

As the nature of democracy and of the attack on it become more apparent, the vital role of religion will be perceived. Ideally, democracy accepts man as spiritual, made in the image and likeness of God, capable of understanding the divine government well enough to be self-governed. It expects men to reflect in some measure the divine attributes of justice, reason, kindness, liberty, truthfulness, self-control. In so far as men fail to express these spiritual qualities, democracy fails.

Majority rule, the representative system, universal suffrage, free elections, free competition, equal rights, economic equality, constitutional forms—none of these will guarantee the success of democracy if the spiritual content is lacking. Any of these may be made instruments of tyranny, unless the basic ideal of individual worth, independence, freedom, and perfectibility is retained.

Materialistic concepts have always attacked this ideal. To-day two forms of materialism are particularly active: One looks upon man as merely an economic animal. A faulty Marxist interpretation of history is partly to blame for this attitude.

Now a fairer and better society should come out of an increased awareness of the way government has been abused for economic exploitation. And a happier and more stable society can be expected where men are free from economic injustices and insecurity. But too often to-day there is an ignorant and excessive emphasis on material and mechanistic motives. It teaches worker and employer, farm and factory, producer and consumer, to pursue a selfish separate interest when the larger interest of each is attainable only by co-operation. It tends to animosity, hate and violence. It destroys democracy.

Another form of materialism's attack on democracy is extreme racism, a belief that man is merely a biological specimen, whose virtue, courage and honesty are determined by blood and soil. This combines with Fascism's mystical exaltation of the state to make the individual merely a material unit to be merged in a militarized mass for overcoming other races or states. Freedom of thought or speech cannot be tolerated in such totalitarianism. Worship of the state or of an individual symbolizing the state is substituted for Christianity. Persecution, intolerance, and hate become virtues.

Democratic peoples may recognise these forms of materialism most clearly in certain countries or ideologies. But they can find them operating among their own countrymen—if not in their own thought. And it is primarily in thought that they must be combated. It is historically provable that more spiritual concepts of duty have produced better men and better governments. Men governed by Christianity's code, men striving to express the attributes of a God who is Truth, Love and Principle, can hope to govern themselves successfully.

ITALIAN AMBITIONS IN ALBANIA

MUSSOLINI'S ambitions for a Mediterranean empire have long caused uneasiness in this tiny kingdom across the Adriatic, journalistically neglected and generally ignored in the clamour of greater events.

Officially, of course, there was no evidence of foreboding. Albania was recognized as an entity, firmly linked to Italy by a treaty which does not expire until 1947.

An even temper marked the country's five newspapers which are firmly controlled by a government that resolved, in the last analysis, down to King Zog himself. But one had only to converse with certain officials, both active and retired, as well as informed private citizens, to find ample evidence of nervousness.

CERTAINLY there had been no indication of Italy's intentions to increase its political ascendancy by actual territorial occupation until last week. What bothered the Jeremiahs of Albania was the recent sequence of Mediterranean events and the fact that the secret London treaty of 1915 has not yet been forgotten by fascist imperialists. There was the vague fear, now proved too well founded, that the Duce would no longer remain satisfied with the extensive economic and political influence he attained.

Boiled down, the events preceding the occupation were simply this: Italy made a great fuss about expanding, at the expense of France, along the lines of ancient Rome. Despite the undoubted prestige accompanying the fascist victory in Spain, she was able to produce no concrete territorial gains. Italian public opinion was aware of this. It could be assuaged, from time to time, by such fanfare as Count Ciano's visit to Belgrade and it may have been completely satisfied by gains accruing from the Spanish enterprise. But the Albanians knew that theirs was a small and friendless nation; that it lies a scant fifty miles across the Otranto straits; that Rome has looked greedily East even since the Turkish empire decayed; and that choice and strategic sections of its coast would be gobbled up with great speed, small cost and little fear of precipitating a European crisis.

THE possibility of an Italian expedition hung as a sword of Damocles in many patriotic minds in Albania. Diplomatically, Albania was in a weak position. For many years after its *de jure* creation in the post-war treaties, it could always count upon the opposing interests of Italy and Jugo-Slavia to safeguard its independence. Both powers made it clear that territorial aspirations in Albania by each other would be regarded as inimical acts. However, the binding of a new friendship between Rome and Belgrade altered the situation. Fundamentally, Jugo-Slavia can never willingly agree to the Italian occupation of the mainland of the Balkan peninsula. But Albania could no longer play both ends against the middle. And, when Italy—with German approval—resolved to swallow a chunk of the Albanian coast, Jugo-Slavia could not—dare not—interfere.

THE London treaty gave to Italy full sovereignty over the island of Saseno, the port of Valona, and "a territory sufficiently extended to assure the defence of these points." It was also agreed that if an independent Albania were to be created, it would remain under Italian control.

In actual fact, "the bulk of these particular concessions of



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1915 had been accorded. Italian cord to this poverty-stricken land. It is equally true that Rome held such sway that when Mussolini decided to land his troops, no deputy dared to oppose him that King Zog was doomed.

ACCORDING to official figures provided by the Albanian government, Italy loaned 63,000,000 gold francs to Albania—more than double the total annual revenue. Unofficial estimates of the sum of Italian loans and payments range up to three or four times this amount. But Italy has not failed to receive compensatory benefits. Italy already held a tight grip on Albanian petroleum concessions. Similar concessions in salt and cigarette paper monopolies were granted. The Albanian Italian Agricultural Association owns two concessions; one near Valona, one near Shkall. About three hundred Italian peasant families already inhabit the rich Shkall land which, in addition to providing fertile acres, is a good base for military operations because of its proximity to Durazzo. What is more, Italy possessed predominant commercial control and absorbed most of the Albanian exports of cement, food, wool, hides, etc.

In tit-for-tat fashion, Italy did certain things for Albania in a military way and exacted benefits in exchange. The Albanian general staff was virtually under Italian direction. The army of 9,500 officers and men (official statistics) was garbed in uniforms donated by Italy and armed with old Italian equipment. Two chains of fortifications were completed under the direction of Italian military engineers. Each of the great things for Albania was a semi-circular affair extending for several kilometres and comprising earthworks, cement, dug-outs and machine gun emplacements. One is the Mati River section and the

other lies between Elbasan and the Jugo-Slav border. Both are handily placed to block Jugo-Slav interference with the landing of Italian troops at Durazzo. Strong roads and bridges lead up to each chain. It should also be remembered that the Italian consuls at Scutari, Korce and Valona were all military officers. Communications such as shipping, radio, and airlines are either completely or largely under Italian control; there are no railroads.

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IN the field of internal politics, Italy also safeguarded her interests and there was a faction of influential persons, led by a general, which was openly and ardently pro-Italian. As is so often the case when great Powers play with puppets, there was considerable bribery. It is impossible to estimate the amount spent in this way. Likewise, it would not be discreet to name recipients of favours; it is sufficient to say they ranged up to holders of very high offices, according to well-informed but unconfirmable belief. A small Fascist movement was launched at Korce.

It is apparent that in its political activity Italy played an astute game. A powerful and rabble-raising Italian speaker named Giro was employed by the Albanian government, at Italian behest, to "organize" the youth. Unofficially, it is widely known that Giro, one of the original Fascist "Squadron of Action" and an acquaintance of Mussolini, was ardently anti-Zog. Although he undoubtedly did his sincere best to aid the stimulant Albania's younger generation (despite the fact he speaks only Italian) he had a recognised political value in keeping the regime on tenterhooks.

The diplomatic interest of Italy in Albanian territory dates back to the days when Bismarck proposed to Rome that she abandoned her claims in the *terra irredenta* and seek compensation across the Adriatic. In 1917, General Ferrero, leading an army of occupation, told the Albanians: "We are bringing back to you the civilisation of the Romans and the Venetians." In 1926, the Pact of Tirana signalled Italian aspirations for a sphere of influence (and, incidentally, caused the fall of a Jugo-Slav cabinet).

IT would have seemed with this many-tentacled control over a tiny nation that it would never be necessary for Italy to occupy a portion of it. But it was recognised that, in the event of a European war threatening, an occupation would result immediately. During the September, 1938, crisis much concern was raised about secret but authoritative reports that Italian troops had mobilised at Bari. Just four years before, Albania prepared to beat off what it feared was to be an Italian attempt to occupy Durazzo when war vessels appeared unannounced at the harbour; hasty defensive earthworks were actually thrown up.

What Italy will gain by actual control of Albania will depend upon the extent of her ambition now that she has occupied the country. Her action. (1) insures her strategic position in the Adriatic; (2) serves as a base for possible further Balkan penetration; (3) provides a certain amount of good farm land for her over-crowded peasantry; (4) acquires popular acclaim for the Fascist regime.

Within Albania there is not the mineral wealth that is to be found, for example, in Jugo-Slavia, but there are deposits of asphalt and naphtha near Valona; lignite around Tirana, Elbasan, Korce, Pogradetz and Tepeleni; copper near Puka and Korce; chromium near Pogradetz; lead in the northern districts; arsenic and cement near Scutari and Valona; and petroleum at Kuchova. Most of these are too far removed inland to tempt more than economic exploitation.

YOUNG ARMY PLAYERS ACQUIT THEMSELVES WELL

INTERESTING KOTEWALL CUP SOCCER MATCH

SOUTH CHINA WIN BY ODD GOAL IN THREE

(The Army's younger players, who were given their first taste of representative football in Hong-kong, acquitted themselves with credit yesterday in the second match of the Kotewall Charity Cup, though they could not prevent the South China A.A. from winning the encounter by the odd goal in three.

Still the Army men played well enough to earn a draw, and it was unfortunate for them that the final whistle blew just when they looked as if they would get on level terms. With so many young players taking part in the match, it was only to be expected that the exchanges were very fast, and if the play was not always of a scientific nature, what was lacking in the finer points was made up for by the enthusiasm displayed by the participants.

Several changes were made in the Chinese team, many of the originally selected men being unable to turn out. Amongst them were Lee Wai-tung, Lau Hing-choi, Lee Kwok-wai, Mak Siu-hon and Pau Ka-ping, and in their places were Chan Tak-fai, Tse Kam-hung, Kwok Yim-tee, Lau Mau and Cheung Wing-choi.

GOOD HALF BACKS

As the whole line was made up of junior players, the Army half-backs were watched with keen interest and came off the ordeal very well indeed. While they did not combine as effectively with the forwards as well as did the Chinese intermediates, in defence little fault could be found with them. They tackled quickly and resolutely and prevented the Chinese forwards from being dangerous on several occasions when nice movements were initiated.

Shaw, in the pivotal position, did not have an enviable task against the speedy Chan Tak-fai, but remained very steady throughout and not allowing himself to be flustered by the close inter-passing of the Chinese inside forwards. His two wing-halves, Rides and Guy, gave him good support.

But the Army man who caught the eye was Duncan, in goal. Making many daring saves, sometimes right off the feet of the opposing forwards, he was darting in and out of his charge, timing his movements to a nicety. But for his display, the Chinese might have scored more than the two goals which they actually did.

The two backs, Fraser and Sheehan, did not give the Chinese much rope, their first-time tackling being a feature of their play. Up forward, the form shown was variable. At times, the vanners played extremely well together; at others, some of the movements were spoiled by poor understanding and positioning. The finishing, too, was none too good.

EARLY PENALTY
The game started off in queer fashion, a penalty being awarded to the Army for hands against Lau Mau. Taking the kick, Saw easily beat Cheung Wing-choi to

give the soldiers an early lead. Then the Chinese took a hand in the attack, and only resolute defence prevented them from equalising. Nevertheless they kept up the pressure and were finally rewarded when Lai Shiu-wing shot into an empty goal after Duncan had saved an almost point-blank shot from Chan Tak-fai.

This goal seemed to revitalise the Army attack and Calvert had back luck with a splendid shot, taken on the turn, which just skimmed the bar. More bad luck was in store for the Army. Duffield gained possession and scored, but meanwhile Calvert had run into an offside position and the point was disallowed.

In another breakaway, Chan Tak-fai gave the Chinese the lead, getting past two defenders before beating Duncan.

Towards the end of the game, the soldiers tried hard to get the equaliser. They were playing good football, but the Chinese defence held out right to the final whistle which was blown with Calvert in possession and seemed likely to score.

Teams:
South China—Cheung Wing-choi; Lee Tin-sang; Lau Mau; Kwok Yim-tee; Leung Wing-chiu; Tse Kam-hung; Tang Kwong-sum; Fung King-cheung; Chan Tak-fai; Lai Shiu-wing and Lau Tau-man.
Army—Duncan (R. Scots); Fraser (R. Scots); Sheehan (Middlesex); Rides (R.A.O.C.); Shaw (R.E.); Calvert (R.A.O.C.); Emberson (R.A.O.C.); Courtney (Middlesex); Calvert (R.A.); Saw (Middlesex) and Duffield (R.A.O.C.).

Dorothy Round Returns To Lawn Tennis

London, March 16.
Mrs. D. L. Little, who as Dorothy Round twice held the Wimbledon singles title, is to return to competitive lawn tennis. She will play in the Hays Harrow tournament in a fortnight.

It will be her first competition since the birth of her son, who is now nearly nine months old.

Dr. Little said "Whether she takes part at Wimbledon this year will depend on how well she plays in the earlier tournaments. If she can find her old form I expect she will enter all the tournaments as in previous years."

Everton Almost Certain to Win Championship

BEAT SUNDERLAND IN HOME GAME: EASTER MONDAY SOCCER TIES

London, Apr. 10.

Everton made almost certain of the championship in the First Division of the English Football League to-day by defeating Sunderland by six goals to two. Though the Wolves, their nearest rivals, also won, Everton now need only three more points from their remaining four matches to be absolutely sure of clinching the championship.

Derby County's downward slide continued to-day when they were defeated at home by Portsmouth, the F. A. Cup finalists.

In the Second Division, Blackburn Rovers also consolidated their position at the top with a home victory over Fulham by the odd goal in three, and, like Everton, are now almost certain of winning the championship.

The following were the results of matches played:

FIRST DIVISION

Arsenal	2	Blackpool	1
Birmingham	0	Liverpool	0
Chelsea	1	Charlton	0
Derby	0	Portsmouth	1
Everton	6	Sunderland	2
Leeds	3	Manchester U.	1
Middlesbrough	3	Leicester	2
Preston N.E.	2	Brentford	0
Stoke	4	Bolton	1
Wolves	2	Aston Villa	1

SECOND DIVISION

Blackburn	2	Fulham	1
Manchester C.	0	Bury	0
Norwich	1	Coventry	1
Plymouth	0	Tottenham	1
Wednesday	3	Millwall	1
Southampton	0	Luton	0
Swansea	1	Tranmere	0
West Brom.	0	Nottingham Forest	0

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Bournemouth	2	Brighton	0
Bristol C.	1	Crystal Pal.	0
Cardiff	1	Southend	0
Exeter	2	Clapton O.	0
Grimsby	1	Queen's P. R.	0
Nottingham	4	Port Vale	0
Reading	0	Swindon	0
Torquay	0	Mansfield	0
Walsall	2	Newport	1
Wolverhampton	1	Bristol R.	2
Walsley	1	Aldershot	1

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Accrington	0	Doncaster	0
Barnsley	0	Stockport	0
Barrow	0	Chester	1
Gateshead	2	Hartlepool	0
Hull	1	Hull	0
Lincoln	1	Lincoln	0
Rochdale	5	Crowe	0
Rotherham	1	Southport	0
Wrexham	3	Darlington	0
York	4	Carlisle	1
Bradford C.	3	New Brighton	3

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

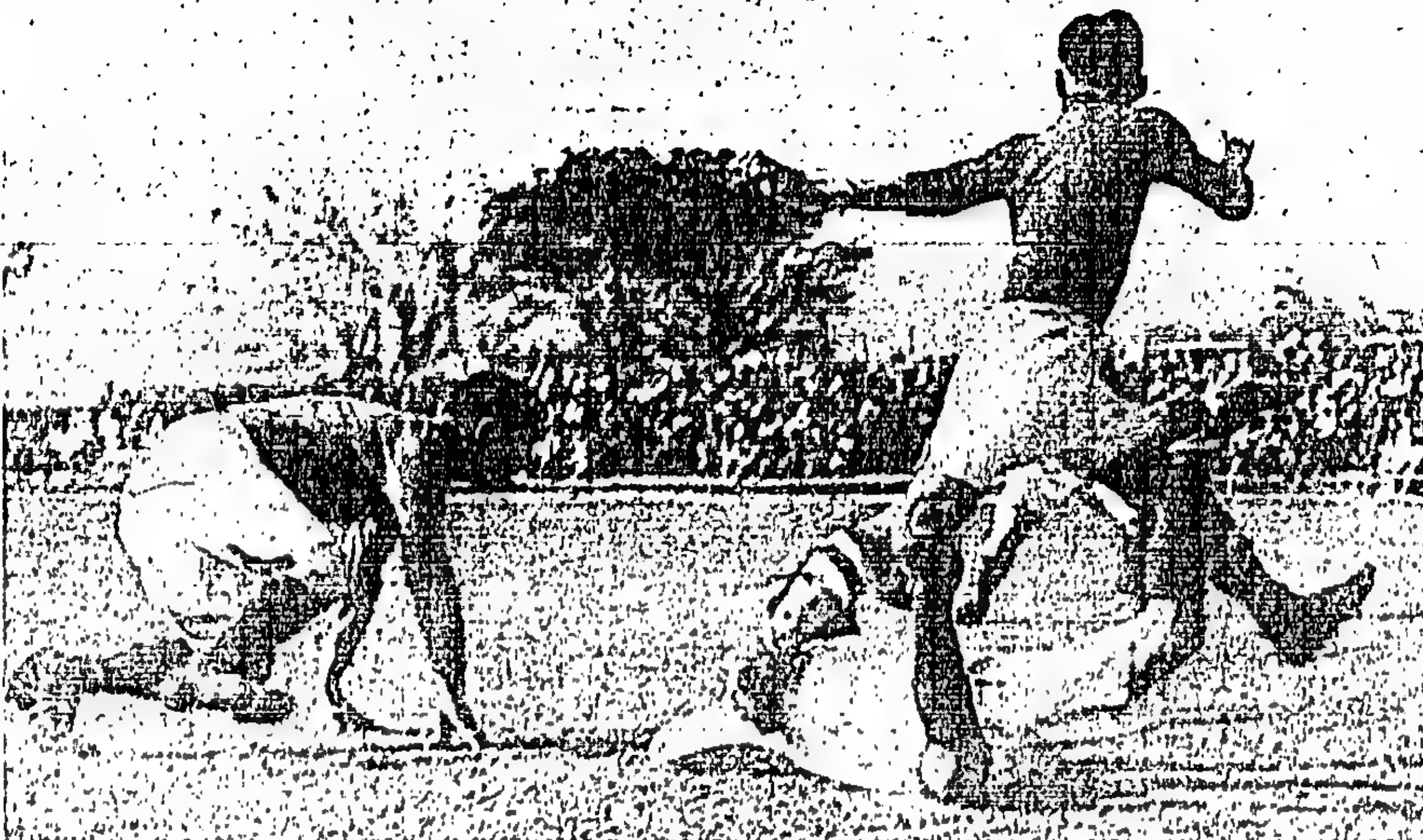
Clyde	4	Third Lanark	1
Queen's Park	1	Celtic	2

IRISH LEAGUE

The following matches played to-day:		London, Apr. 10. are the results of in the Irish League	
Ballymena	5	Newry	1
Bangor	0	Portadown	1
Belfast	2	Glentworth	0
Cliftonville	4	Coleraine	2
Derry	4	Larne	1
Disliffery	1	Liffield	0
Glensavon	3	Ards	1

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This was one of the many daring saves made by Duncan, the Army goal-keeper, in the Kotewall Charity Football Cup match between the South China A.A. and the Army at Causeway Bay yesterday. Here Duncan has robbed Chan Tak-fai, the Chinese centre-forward, of the ball.—Staff Photographer.

S. AFRICAN RUGGERITES DEFEATED

Berlin, Apr. 10.
The South African Rugby team, which is touring Europe, played its first match on German soil to-day in Hanover against a team from Lower Saxony.

Displaying excellent team-work, the Germans defeated the South Africans by 8-3.

At the end of the first half, the score was 3-0 in favour of the South Africans.

From Hanover, the visitors will go to South Germany, playing at Frankfurt, Stuttgart and other places.—Trans-Ocean.

Rugger Matches At Home

London, Apr. 10.
The following were the results of Rugby Union matches played in the country to-day:

Aberavon	18	Devonport	0
Bath	3	O.M.T.	0
Bridgend	7	Coventry	17
Bristol	0	Northampton	8
Cardiff	9	Harlequins	6
Gloucester	6	Salisbury	0
Manchester	13	North	0
Neath	25	Nuneaton	11
Northampton	11	London Welsh	0
Plymouth	3	Leicester	10
Albion	12	Barbarians	0
Swansea	16	Birkenhead	0
Waterloo	22	Park	4
Llanelli	18	Dolphin	8
Pontypool	18	English Combined	0
Weston-Super-Mare	3	Moseley	29

Famous Club May Retire From League

London, Mar. 16.
Yeovil and Petters, Southern League and famous Cup fighters who drew with Sheffield Wednesday in the F.A. Cup this season, may be forced to retire from professional soccer.

Mr. Stanley Gates, chairman, stated that unless there is a substantial increase in the League gate the club must withdraw from the Southern League and revert to amateur status.

"If Yeovil is forced to revert to resign from the Southern League it will be very difficult to get back again," he said.

Receipts from League games since Yeovil were knocked out of the Cup are lower than they were four seasons ago, when a public appeal was made to save the club from extinction.

Army Association Football Cup

London, Apr. 10.
At Aldershot the Ninth Field Regiment, Royal Artillery, won the Army Association Football Cup to-day, beating the 2nd Battalion, Durham Light Infantry in the final.—Reuter.

Army Boxing BROTHERS AGAIN WINNERS

London, Mar. 4.
Last night's Army and Territorial championships, at the Royal Albert Hall, provided two more triumphs for the fighting Murdochs, writes Orion.

Both these officer brothers from the Federated Malay States—they are nephews of a former A.B.A. champion—retained their titles.

The elder brother, 2nd Lieut. F. H. Murdoch (4th Royal Tank Corps), disposed of 2nd Lieut. J. D. L. Buist (1st H.L.I.) in one punch—a right to the head—to win the middle-weight championship again.

In the welter-weight final, however, 2nd Lieut. B. Murdoch (2nd Lines) was given a hard fight by 2nd Lieut. J. F. White (2nd Royal Warwick).

As is usual when soldiers get into action, knockdowns were frequent, but Lieut. W. Routledge (9th Middlesex) must have thought he was receiving more than his fair share of them.

PLUCKY LOSER

Opposed by the veteran Pte. Tom Worton, in the fly-weight final, Routledge took no fewer than seven counts in the first round, yet he refused to quit.

In fact, the Londoner stayed the whole three rounds and well deserved the ovation accorded him as the most gallant loser of the evening.

It afterwards transpired that Routledge remembered nothing of the last two rounds against Worton.

A record that is never likely to be surpassed was put up by the giant Lieut. A. R. V. Luke, R.A., who carried off his Territorial Officers' heavyweight title for the seventh consecutive year.

Pte. George Spears (Dorset Regt.), taking part in his last Army championship before returning to civilian life, gave his usual vigorous display and again carried off the Other Ranks welter-weight title.

Spears' opponent, Cpl. Edwards (2nd King's Regt.), put up a good show before being outpointed, but was never allowed to make proper use of his superior reach.

RESULTS

ARMY OFFICERS

Lightweight—2nd Lieut. A. D. van Someren (R.A.) bt. Lieut. F. Rogers (1st Royal Regt.).

Light-heavyweight—Lieut. J. C. F. MacCarthy-Worship (R.E.) bt. Capt. J. M. Calvert (R.E.).

Welterweight—2nd Lieut. B. Murdoch (2nd Lines) (holder) bt. 2nd Lieut. J. F. White (2nd Royal Warwick).

Middleweight—2nd Lieut. F. H. Murdoch (4th Royal Tank Corps) (holder) bt. 2nd Lieut. J. D. L. Buist (1st H.L.I.) in first round.

ARMY OTHER RANKS
Flyweight—L. Cpl. Colborne (R.A.S.C.) bt. Cpl. Loveless (90th Lancers) in first round.

Bantam-weight—L. Sergt. Pratchett (R.A.) bt. Sergt. W. H. Fisher (R.A.S.C.).

Light-heavyweight—2nd Lieut. F. J. Edgell (2nd A.A. Regt. R.E.) bt. 2nd Lieut. T. B. J. Anderson (4th Lincoln) in first round.

Heavyweight—Lieut. A. R. V. Luke (2nd A.A. Regt. R.A.) (holder) beat 2nd

Racing Favourite Defeated At Kempton

London, Apr. 10.
At Kempton to-day, the present Derby favourite, Foxbrough II, starting favourite at 6/4, was unplaced in the Coventry Three-year-old Stakes over one mile.

The result of the race was:
100/8 Southport
5/2 Rogersstone Castle
25/1 Lemanoue
Rogersstone Castle has been entered for the Derby.

Sixteen ran in the race. Two lengths separated first and second, and a short head second and third. This was Foxbrough's first defeat.—Reuter.

A. J. HOLMES WILL AGAIN CAPTAIN SUSSEX

London, Apr. 2.
The prospects of the Sussex County Cricket Club are distinctly promising, but the bowling will have to improve. This was the keynote of the report of the committee presented to the annual meeting in Brighton.

Mr. A. Miller-Hallett, re-elected President for the third successive year, stressed the importance of increased support by the public, especially in this, the centenary year.

Mr. W. N. Riley, a member of the election committee, said that the fielding was pretty good, but in his opinion might be improved. He considered John Langridge was an England "number one" and he hoped the authorities would give him a chance.

Mr. A. J. Holmes will again captain the team this year and it is hoped that Mr. H. T. Bartlett will again be available.—Reuter.

BRILLIANT GOLF BY A. D. LOCKE

Durban, Apr. 10.
A. D. Locke, the young South African golfer, won the South African Open Golf Championship with a record aggregate of 279 for 72 holes, finishing in a record round of 67. His four rounds were 69, 69, 74 and 67.—Reuter.

Lieut. J. Wilson (Liverpool Scottish), T.A. OTHER RANKS

Fly-weight—Pte. T. Worton (50th A.T. Regt. R.A.) (holder) beat Pte. W. Routledge (9th Middlesex).

Bantam-weight—Gunner E. Cronk (1st Field Brigade) beat Pte. J. Graham (1st Divisional Signals).

Feather-weight—L. Cpl. W. Wignall (9th Middlesex) (holder) beat Sergt. W. Lewis (53rd Div. R.A.S.C.).

Light-heavyweight—L. Bombardier R. V. Parkinson (1st Field B.A.) (holder) beat Pte. J. McLaughlin (40th R.T.C.).

Welterweight—Pte. J. Sawyer (40th R.T.C.) beat Gunner A. Anderson (70th Field B.A.).

Middleweight—Gunner K. Elliott (1st Field B.A.) beat Pte. A. Chitt (5th Middlesex).

Heavyweight—Cpl. J. Wenderlin (10th Middlesex) (holder) beat Pte. J. McLaughlin (5th H.L.I.).

Sydney Preparing For M.C.C.

Covered Stands Being Erected

London, Apr. 2.
There will be some changes in the appearance of the famous Sydney cricket ground when the M.C.C. team visits Sydney next year. Plans are now being prepared for the erection of a covered stand, 400 feet long and eighty feet wide, on "The Hill".

The proposed stand will replace the existing shilling stand on the hill, but it will not interfere with the grassy slope, regarded as the real "hill" and sacred to Sydney barrackers.

With this addition and the members' new 500,000 stand, the trustees of the ground expect to be able to provide accommodation for all who want to see the English team in action next year.—Reuter.

AUSTIN OUT FOR TENNIS TITLES

Dates Of Tournaments Make Things Difficult

London, Mar. 30.
Keen followers of the game in England are becoming more and more of the opinion that there really ought to be some get-together on international lawn tennis fixtures.

Bunny Austin, when asked if he meant to play in the French Championships this year replied: "Why yes." It was then pointed out that the French Championships end just one week before Wimbledon begins, and he looked a little shaken.

There is no doubt Austin has set his heart on having a real go for both the French and British championships this year, and in a field which has gone somewhat thin on top, it is not positively bald, he has almost a favourite's chance.

Austin usually does very well at the Stade Roland Garros, Paris, but stepping straight on to Wimbledon turf from a hard court different from any in England is enough to upset any player.—Reuter.

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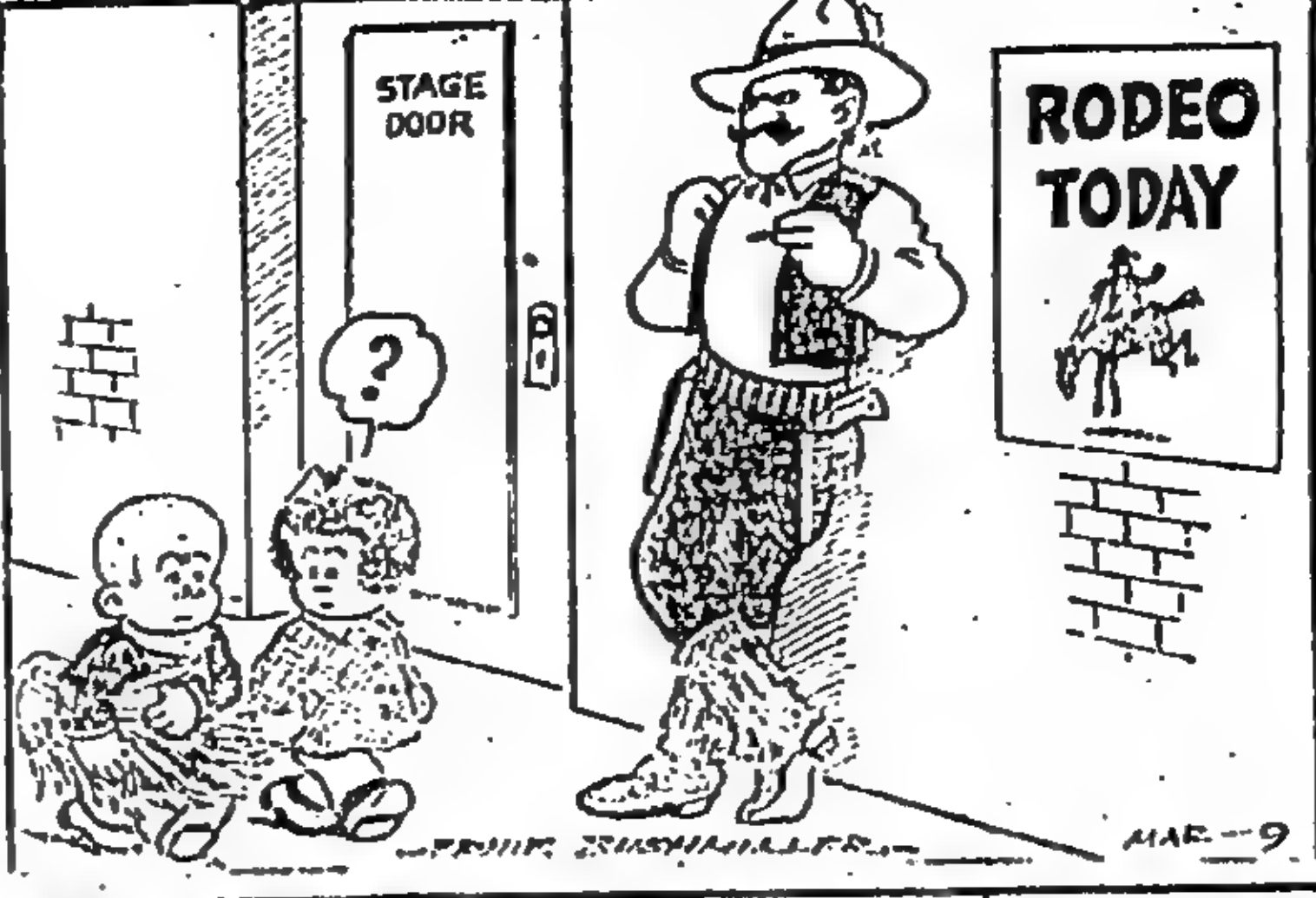
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The White Shield, emblematic of women's hockey supremacy between Shanghai and Hongkong, will be brought back to the Colony by the Hongkong team now in Shanghai. The Hongkong Ladies have been very successful in the present visit, having won all three matches played.

NANCY



WOLVES ARE MIRACLE CLUB OF FOOTBALL

Have Sold £100,000 Worth Of Players In 4 Years

London, March 17.
A hundred thousand pounds in the till from the transfer of players these last four years, and still remains a team of youngsters good enough to bid for The Double Event—Cup and League. That's the Wolves.
The Miracle Club of Football. No other team, at the moment, fits them.
If they lose both Cup and League, their record will still be unique in football annals.

No club has ever shown such capacity for producing players, and the marvelous thing about it is that the supply seems unending. Their transfers have been without parallel in the history of the game, yet their team is maintained at such strength that they were second in the League last year, now are runners-up, and still can bring up youngsters, like Mullin, to fill the gaps.
It's no fairy story. The Wolves' balance-sheet tells the facts. Between May, 1935, and May 1938, they transferred players to these values:

1935-6	£24,000
1936-7	£20,070
1937-8	£10,475
Total	£54,545

Good Tennis Promised At Hongkong C.C.

Interesting tennis is promised at the Hongkong Cricket Club this afternoon when the Colony Tennis Championships will be resumed after the Easter holidays.

On the stand court, Lee Yue-wing and Ho Ka-lau will meet T. A. Pearce and W. A. H. Duff once again. The first meeting, on Thursday last, was abandoned with the scores 15-13, 0-6, 5-5 (Chinese scores first). Those who saw the match certainly had their money's worth, and the day's encounter proves just as interesting, all local tennis enthusiasts are recommended to see it.

Two other "open" matches are also scheduled to be played on outside courts. One is the doubles match between the two undergraduates, L. M. Thimmet and Stephen Wong, and the Rector pair, A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios. The other is the singles tie between Tsui Yun-pui and A. Crawford.

The following is the programme today:

Open Doubles
Lee Yue-wing and W. A. H. Duff vs. Ho Ka-lau and T. A. Pearce
(stand court)
Open Singles
L. M. Thimmet vs. A. V. Gosano
Stephen Wong vs. J. J. Remedios
Club Championship
Tsui Yun-pui vs. A. J. S. Theobald
Handicap Singles
T. J. Gould vs. V. L. Goldman
T. J. Price vs. W. Wooding
Mixed Doubles
Mr. & Mrs. Waik- vs. H. J. Scull and Mrs. W. Sander vs. V. H. Gordon and Miss A. Taylor vs. Mrs. Shewan

VANDERBILT BUILDS NEW YACHT

Sailing In British Regattas

Mr. Harold S. Vanderbilt, the finest helmsman in the United States, three winner of the America's Cup, is to race his new twelve-metre yacht in the British Royal Regattas next season. The new yacht has been designed by Sparkman and Stephens, who were responsible for the lines of the "J" class Ranger, easily the fastest yacht of her class ever built. A series of models of the new "twelve" were given the most exhaustive tank tests before the final model was chosen from which the new Vanderbilt racer will be built.

The record time of two months has been allowed for the building and finishing of the new American "twelve," as Mr. Vanderbilt insists that she must be delivered early in April, so that he can sail intensive tuning-up trials before shipping her to England in the middle of May. The yacht will be 70 ft. L.O.A., 45 ft. L.W.L., beam 11 ft. 10 in., 9 ft. 6 in. draught, with a lead keel weighing 35,000 lb.

British yachtsmen are building a fleet of four International twelve-metre racing yachts to meet Mr. Vanderbilt's challenge. Two of these yachts are being built in English and two in Scottish yacht yards. Mr. T. O. M. Sopwith and Mr. Arthur Connell are having their new racers built at Gosport, while Sir William Burton and Mr. Hugh Goodson have given their orders to Clydes yards.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7)
epicurean—domesday—Dolly Varden—equilibrat—doubleton—errantle

Dutch Hockey Team Beat Scotland

Amsterdam, Apr. 10.
The Netherlands hockey team today beat Scotland 4-0. Halftime ended at 1-0 for the Dutch team. The Dutch played extremely well, especially the forwards who were very fast and technically better than the Scots.—Trans-Ocean.

Polo Win For Hurlingham

San Francisco, Apr. 9.
The Hurlingham polo team won the Golden Gate International Exposition Polo title today, by beating a West team by 11-10 after overtime. Harketh Hughes scored the deciding goal.—United Press.

BUDGE STILL AHEAD

Phoenix, Ariz., Apr. 9.
Fred Perry defeated Donald Budge 6-3 bringing the total of the series, thus far, Perry 5 and Budge 14 matches.—United Press.

EARMUFFS CUSHION

CLEVELAND, O.
Frank J. Brennan, 62, reports a good thing to have on your head when somebody tries to slug you with a blackjack is a stocking cap with earmuffs. Brennan told police he was slugged twice one night by robbers who escaped with \$35. He said the padding of his earmuffs prevented serious injury.



One of the best scenes in "You Can't Take It With You," the best picture of 1938, now showing at the King's Theatre. Millionaire and poor man are thrown into prison for disturbing the peace.

Rifle Shooting Alterations For Annual Prize Meet

Owing to unforeseen heavy entries for the Annual Prize Meeting of the Hongkong Rifle Association, the following alterations have been made to the programme:

Saturday, April 15
Shooting will commence on all Ranges at 8.30 a.m.
The President's Cup will commence at 9 a.m.
The Secretary's Cup will follow immediately, approximately 10.30 a.m.
Final of Individual Service Championship will follow immediately, approximately 11.30 a.m.
The lunch interval will be from 12-1.30
The Council Cup will commence at 1.30 p.m.
The Army and Navy Cup will follow immediately, approximately 3.15 p.m.
Sunday, April 16
The Blackdown will commence at 8.40 a.m.
The Camberley will follow immediately, approximately 10.20.
The Engshol will follow immediately, approximately 11.45.
(X) The Stickle-down is brought forward from Monday and will commence at 2.15 p.m.
The "Veterans" Etc. will follow the Stickle-down at approximately 4.15 p.m.
The International Match will be fired concurrently with the Blackdown and Camberley. Any number of teams may be entered and must be declared before firing commences. Team Cards will be obtained from the Chief Executive Officer's Tent any time after 12 noon on Saturday. These must be handed in to the Statistical Tent by 5 p.m. on Sunday April 16.
Note.—S. R. (a) "M" Competitors have been squadded on No. 3 Range for the following competitions:
Bugshot 11.45 on April 16.
Stickle-down 2.30 on April 16.
Brookwood 9.00 on April 17.
Siberia 10.30 on April 17.
Unlimited Competitions have therefore been restricted; range and times for these will be published on notice boards on the Ranges.

Bowling Records

Mrs. E. Soong, who has been conspicuously successful at Duck Pins at the Hongkong Bowling Alley, returned the best score for women for the month of March, chalking up 108 points. Mr. P. Chesney was the most successful in the men's division, scoring 142.

Mrs. S. A. Ismail topped the women's scores in the Ten Pins game, recording a score of 192, while Mr. J. S. Landolt topped the men's section with 246.

Badminton Tourney Comes To A Close Thursday Evening

The Hongkong badminton championships will be brought to a close to-morrow and on Thursday when the finals will be played at Club de Recreio and Taikoo.

The matches promise to provide badminton well on a par with the best yet seen here. To-morrow's two ties at Club de Recreio consist of the men's junior singles and the mixed doubles.

The former match starts at 8.30 and the contestants are S. H. Doane and David Kwok. The high level of play in the earlier rounds has been a feature of the innovation of this event, and the final is certain to produce some exciting rallies.

Possibly, however, chief interest will be centred on the mixed doubles encounter, where old foes meet. P. K. Hui and Miss U. Khoo of the University, who are holders of the title, will once again be challenged by the leading Recreio combination, M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva.

WELL MATCHED

They are so well matched that one hesitates to make a confident prediction of the outcome. Hui's craftsmanship is a by-word in local badminton, but many followers feel that Oliveira's pertinacity and speed about the court is a good offset, and in a match of this type may well upset the champion. The lady contestants are well matched. Both play the short game with confidence and skill, and if Miss Khoo's anticipation is possible a little livelier than Miss Silva's, the latter has a slight advantage in her ability to keep the rallies going.

Equally worth while will be the journey to Taikoo on Thursday, when the men's senior singles and men's doubles finals are decided.

Hui will have a busy evening, defending both titles. In the singles, which starts off the evening's entertainment at 8.30, he meets Charlie Au, brilliant Chinese "Y" exponent, who has shown such improved form this year that he is capable of giving the champion just as severe a hustling as did Patrick Wong. Hui's unruffled temperament and wide experience of match play should be a great asset to him in such a "needle" match, but beyond this he will need to have his strokes in their best working order to overcome the brainy Au, whose performances in the preceding rounds have been highly impressive. This should be the match of the season.

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After a suitable interval, Hui will take the court again, this time with his partner K. L. Yung to do battle against P. S. Bun and M. S. Lim, another University combination. In the final of the men's doubles.

Hui and Yung are confidently expected to win, but the opposition, who have fully justified the "seeding" committee's faith, have played splendidly to date, putting out such powerful pairs as Fincher and Kew and then Au and Koh. These achievements alone command respect, and they can be expected to offer the title holders stiff opposition.

An admission charge of 30 cents will be made on both evenings.

Olympics

BRITAIN APPEALS FOR FUNDS

Plans for raising money for Britain's participation in the Olympic Games in Finland next year were discussed at the annual meeting of the British Olympic Association.

It was stated that £2,000 or £2,500 would be required, and Lord Portal, the president, Lord Bury, Lord Aberdare, and Sir Noel Curtis were among those who made suggestions as to the best method of launching an appeal.

Lord Portal referred to the fact that Britain's application to organize the 1944 Games would be considered at the next meeting of the International Olympic Federation Congress in London on June 5-8. "There is no question that the Games can be held in London in the way that they were intended to be organized—as a really fine sporting show," said Lord Portal.

A. D. HUMPHREYS 'WINS SHANGHAI VISITORS' CUP

The Shanghai Visitors' Cup was won by A. D. Humphreys, Jr., with the good score of 187-20, 141. His second round of 80 was a very good one and he was out in 37, or one over par.

Conditions were on the whole pleasant, but there was a very strong wind and with the grass beginning to grow the greens seemed to trou-

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Hockey SHANGHAI CHAMPIONS DEFEATED

Shanghai, Apr. 10.
The visiting Hongkong Women's Interport Team beat the Greens, champions of the Shanghai Women's Hockey League, by eight goals to one at Kailochow Park this afternoon. At half time the Hongkong team led by four goals to one. Scores for Hongkong were Mrs. Read 4, Miss Barker 2, Miss Greig 1, and Miss Westcott 1.

The Hongkong team will be entertained to an interport dinner and dance at the Shanghai Race Club to-morrow night.—Reuter.

United Press adds that Hongkong displayed excellent team work, passing accurately. Their play was also featured by the speed at which they smashed through the Greens' defence. The Greens seemed disorganised, failing to reveal anything of the expected team work. They were also puzzled by Hongkong's short passes, powerful attacks and deadly shooting.

Mrs. Read scored the first and second goals for Hongkong, then Miss Barker tallied, followed by Miss Greig. The Greens replied for the first time through Miss Mary Sheridan. In the second half Mrs. Read scored two goals and Miss Westcott and Miss Barker each one.

ble players more than they usually do. Subject to re-check, leading scores were:

A. D. Humphreys (13)	74 & 67=141
K. Valentine (12)	72 & 74=146
W. C. Shewan (10)	71 & 70=141
D. L. Prophet (14)	70 & 77=147
B. Edwards (4)	72 & 75=147
J. Harrop (10)	74 & 73=147
E. T. McMullen (5)	77 & 73=150
H. Burton (10)	76 & 75=151
T. Low (13)	76 & 75=151
Col. G. G. G. (10)	72 & 80=152
W. Williamson (13)	71 & 81=152
G. M. Park (8)	76 & 77=153

Prophet wins the prize for the best morning round and McMullen for the best afternoon round, the tie with T. Low being decided on the last nine holes.

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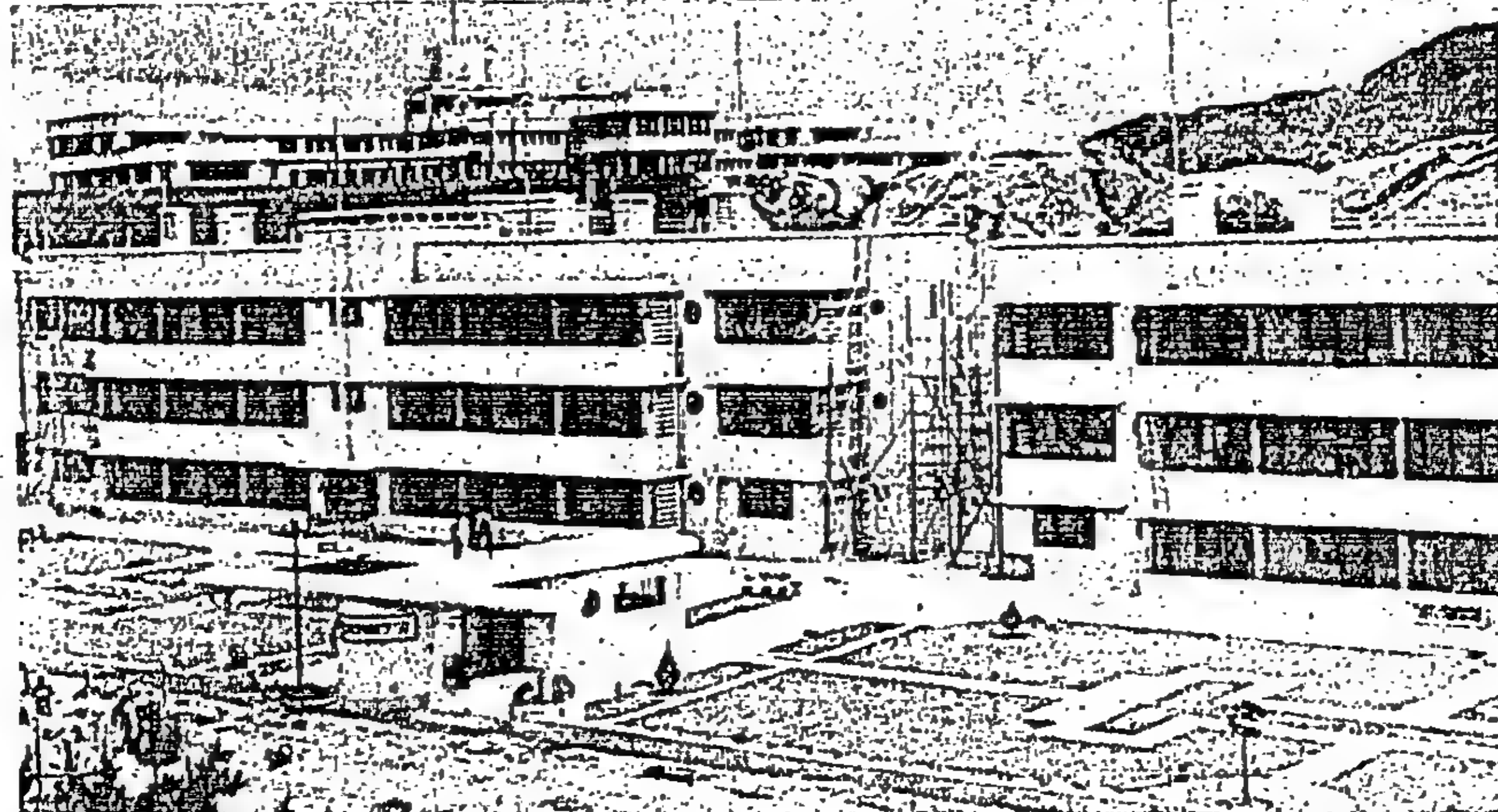
A Corporal of the Royal Scots lends a helping hand to Pto. E. Fisher whilst Pto. S. Izatt looks on at a recent machine gun competition.—Staff Photographer.



Mrs. J. R. Higgs presenting prizes at the recent annual sports held by the Diocesan Girls' School.—Ming Yuen.



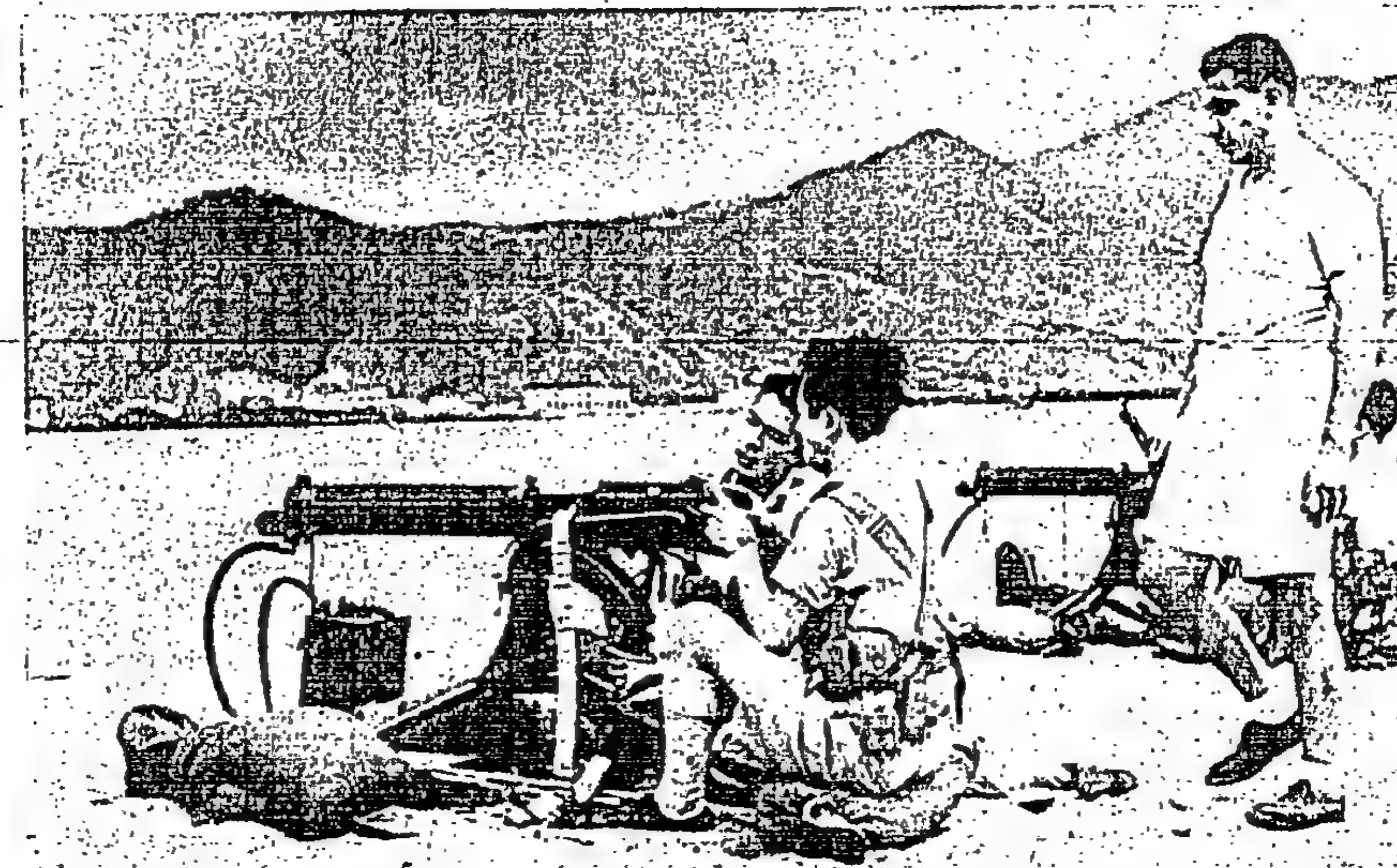
The Rev. J. R. Higgs (above) giving an address at the United Demonstration of Christian Witness on Good Friday.—King's Studio.



The new "Eu Gardens" flats recently opened in Argyle Street. The Central British School can be seen in the background.—Staff Photographer.



On March 4 the Queen attended the "Festival of Light" at the Albert Hall, a festival of the Toc H League of Women Helpers. Her Majesty is seen lighting tapers from the original Toc H lamp of the then Prince of Wales. From these tapers the Taper-Bearers light other lamps and rushlights. The League of Women Helpers was founded in 1922, and has a British membership of 7,000.



Sgt. Gubbay (in white shorts) watches the first-year men at the recent machine gun competitions held recently on Stonecutters Island.—Staff Photographer.

CAMP FATALITY

Scoutmaster Thorne Falls From Cliff

The holiday camp of the 4th. Kowloon Troop (Garrison) Boy Scouts at Cheungchau over the Easter holidays ended tragically yesterday when their Scoutmaster, L/Cpl. H. R. Thorne, of the 1st. Middlesex Regiment, fell to his death over a sixty-foot cliff.

The accident occurred about 8.30 a.m. when, in scaling the cliff, L/Cpl. Thorne slipped and fell backwards. Assistance was forthcoming immediately and the injured man was rushed to the Cheungchau Hospital, where, despite all efforts to save him, he died at 12.30 p.m. A launch which was speeded to carry Mr. Thorne to Hongkong arrived just too late.

The Camp was scheduled for seven days, ending to-morrow, but it was broken yesterday, and the Troop and Mr. Wade, Assistant Scoutmaster, returned to Hongkong at 5 p.m.

Mr. Thorne was 23 years of age, and had been interested in Scouting for several years. Since his arrival in the Colony 18 months ago, he had been Scoutmaster of the 4th. Kowloon Troop.

Arrangements for the funeral, which will be held to-day, are being made.

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25 YEARS AGO

April 11, 1914.
Reuters's correspondent at Paris reports that interest is growing in the visit of Their Majesties and the leading firms of Paris will present Their Majesties with a golden book containing the signatures of the prominent commercial men, in a casket, and to the Queen, needle-work representing an apothecosis of the entire cordillera framed in gold. The schemes of decoration in the City promise to be most magnificent.

The Duke of the Abruzzi has submitted a report to the Minister of Marine describing the excellent results obtained by Signor Marconi with his new wireless telephonic apparatus.

The Duke described an experiment in which communication was set up between two ships 45 miles apart, and in which the connection continued uninterruptedly for 12 hours. Reuters's correspondent at Durazzo states that it appears that the Albanian government has mastered the situation at Korytza. The insurgents surrendered and the movement is regarded as suppressed.

10 YEARS AGO

April 11, 1929.
The well-known American millionaire, Colonel William E. Easterwood, Junior, who is now in London, has offered a prize of £25,000 open to airmen of all nations, for the first successful aeroplane flight from Home to New York, and from there to Dallas, Texas.

5 YEARS AGO

April 11, 1934.
Results in the annual Hongkong foursomes competition organised for members of the Kowloon Club are as follows:—Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. (A. Eastman

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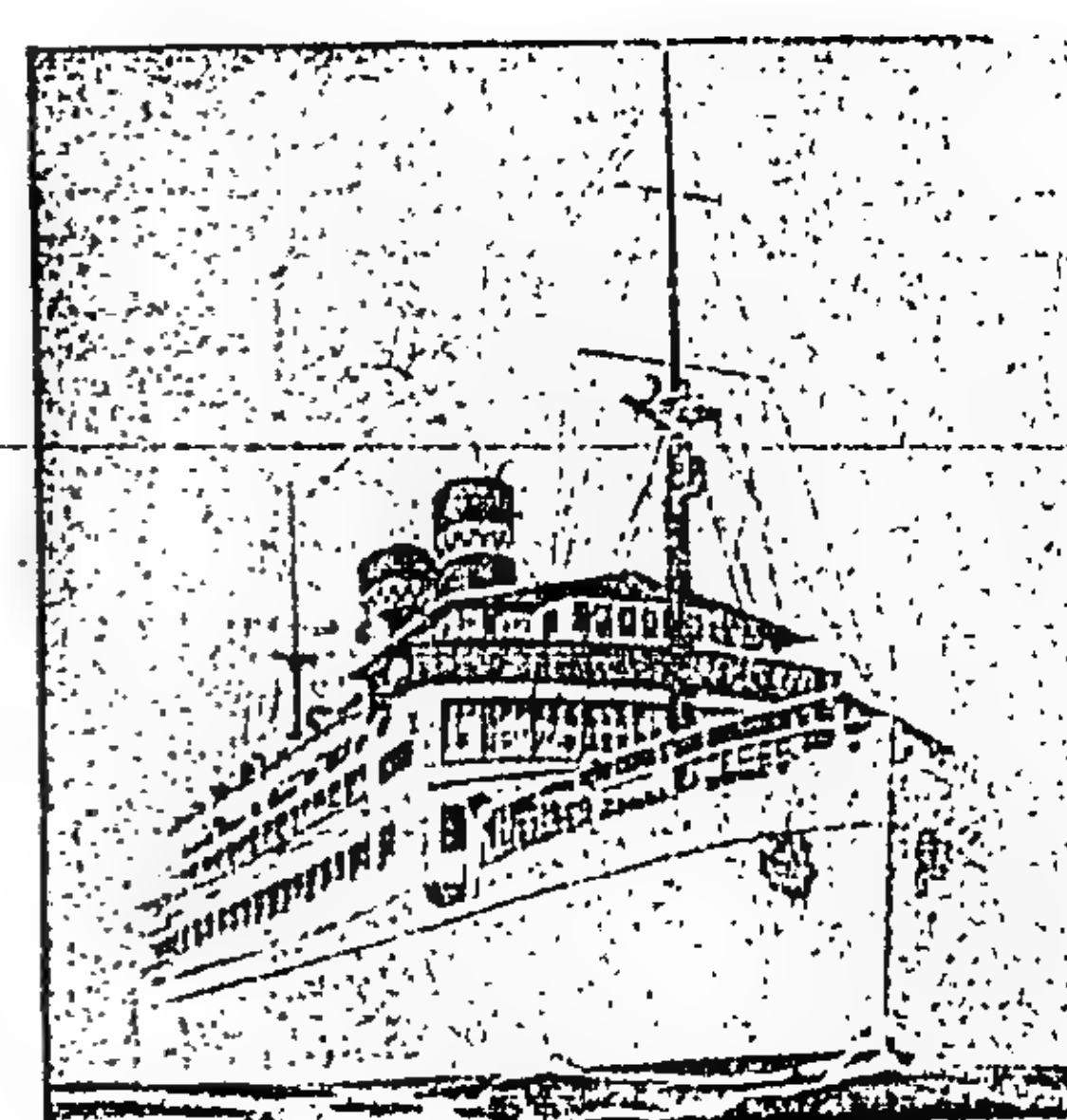
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BANGKOK SENSATION

Italian Legation Man
On Murder Charge

ROME, Apr. 10. THE ARREST of Dr. Ettore Grande, first secretary to the Italian Legation in Bangkok, on a charge of having murdered his wife, has created a sensation among diplomats here.

The arrested diplomat is the son of the well-known Italian University Professor, Stefano Grande at Turin.

When on leave last year he married Signorina Vincenza Virando, daughter of a wealthy Turin family.

Shortly after the wedding the young wife lost her life during a hunting trip, the Siamese authorities officially describing it as an accident.

The bride's family was, however, suspicious and demanded a post-mortem examination, when the body arrived at Turin. The police doctor suggested crime, whereupon Dr. Grande was arrested in Rome.

Trans-Ocean.

DIPLOMATS ACTIVE

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meeting of the Cabinet this morning.

The Rumanian Minister returned during the afternoon, when the Italian Charge d'Affaires also called.

Mr. Clement Attlee's conversation with Mr. Neville Chamberlain at No. 10 Downing Street this afternoon lasted for 45 minutes.—*Reuter*.

Belgrade Turns On Mussolini

Belgrade, Apr. 10. While the Government maintains a reserved attitude, public opinion in Yugoslavia has become suddenly embittered against Italy.

During the holiday, anti-Italian demonstrations on a small scale occurred in Belgrade and Skopje.

It is pointed out that Italy now could close the Adriatic at will, leaving Salonika as Yugoslavia's only source of supply by sea, except for the circuitous route through the Bosphorus and up the Danube.—*Reuter*.

Paris Meeting

Paris, Apr. 10. To-morrow's meeting of the French Cabinet will be devoted to a close study of the situation in the Balkans and the Mediterranean.

Although it was stated at the Quai d'Orsay to-night that Britain had no intention of occupying Corfu, it is regarded as certain that co-ordinative measure of security by Britain and France will be discussed.

It is reported that certain decisions in connection with national defence may be agreed upon to-morrow, to ensure that France may be ready for any eventuality, but qualified quarters are observing the recentest discretion in this connection.

Anyhow, nothing is likely to leak out about them until the Council of Ministers has met on Wednesday.

M. Georges Bonnet to-morrow will give the Cabinet an account of his talks with British and other representatives, and M. Daladier will expound the measures adopted for the security of France.

Although it is stated in official quarters to-night that the atmosphere is considered less tense, plainly France is leaving nothing to chance.—*Reuter*.

330,000 RESERVES CALLED UP

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colours to-day, to replace the troops sent to Albania.

Most of the reservists are reported to be of the 1912 class, and it is stated that they have been called up for a brief duration.

The number is unofficially stated to be 200,000.

That the British decision regarding Albania may be left to Parliament has aroused the hope in Italian political circles that Italy's action may be passed over with nothing stronger than a diplomatic note from London.

Italy is watching jealously every word that is written about Corfu.

Some circles threaten that if Corfu is occupied against Italy, she will march to Salonika.—*Reuter*.

The cruiser "U.S.S. Marblehead" left Hongkong this morning for Shanghai after a stay of two days.

BITTER ITALIAN ATTACK ON U.S. "INTERFERENCE"

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given a special significance to President Roosevelt's return to Washington.

President Roosevelt will review with his legislative leaders all the vital problems pending in Congress, including the controversy over the revision or repeal of the Neutrality Law, and the emergency appropriation for Relief for the remainder of this year.

His special train arrives from Warm Springs at 11.15 a.m. One of his first acts will be to confer with the Secretary of State, who has prepared reports on the European situation received from United States diplomatic representatives abroad.

During the President's 10-day vacation, the Rome-Berlin Axis has turned again and Albania has disappeared, prompting a White House spokesman to assert that each totalitarian expansion has further lessened the United States political safety and economic well-being.

The Foreign Relations Committee are half way through their hearings on the Neutrality Law, which expires next month. The recommendations and final agreement between Congress and the President may prove to be as important as any single policy developed during six years of the New Deal.—*United Press*.

Roosevelt's Anxiety

Washington, Apr. 10. Disturbed at the result of European events, President Roosevelt to-day returned here and conferred with the Secretary of State on the latest reports even before he left his train.

Mr. Cordell Hull is expected to give the President a much more complete report later in the day.—*United Press*.

British Soldiers Die In Explosion

Jerusalem, Apr. 10. Four British soldiers were killed, and two injured, when a landmine exploded under a military trolley which was travelling on the railway north-west of Lydda.—*Reuter*.

NEW YORK, Apr. 9.—Mr. Henry A. Wisewood, writer and inventor of printing press machinery, died here to-day.—*United Press*.

Chinese Drive Under Way

Chiang Launches Big Campaign

CHUNGKING, Apr. 10. THE much-heralded Chinese general offensive on all fronts from Inner Mongolia to Kwangtung, has either started, or is on the eve of being launched, it was stated in authoritative quarters here to-day.

The initiative in the 21 months of fighting which have already taken place, has hitherto been in the hands of the Japanese.—*Reuter*.

GUAM SCHEME REJECTED

WASHINGTON, Apr. 10. The Senate Naval Committee to-day approved the \$65,000,000 naval air base bill, after rejecting the Administration's proposal for an improvement of the scheme for Guam.

It is recalled that the House of Representatives has already rejected the Guam scheme.—*Reuter*.

BRITISH PRECAUTIONS IN MEDITERRANEAN

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warships being near Corfu.—*United Press*.

British Denial

LONDON, Apr. 11.—The British Admiralty has denied the report from Cairo saying that the British Mediterranean Fleet is expected at Alexandria on Wednesday.

The Admiralty said they are unable to say at present where the fleet is going.—*United Press*.

Schacht In Bombay

BOMBAY, Apr. 10.—Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, former President of the Reichsbank, arrived here to-day in the course of his world tour.—*Reuter*.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Wylie, who are proceeding to England on a vacation, departed by the American President liner President Coolidge last night.

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Anna Neagle In Film Of Marie Lloyd

Mr. Herbert Wilcox, producer of the Queen Victoria films, recently arrived in London from America with impressive arrangements for the financial backing of his picture.

He said that in two years he spent £450,000 on making pictures without getting a penny from a British bank.

When he wanted an advance of £10,000 it was refused him; yet when he asked the Bank of America for £165,000 on the same security he received credits for that amount within 48 hours.

NEW COMPANY

He had just announced the latest plans for the new company, "Imperado Pictures," in which he is associated with the Hollywood concern, R.K.O. Radio.

The first of Imperado pictures in this country will be "Kitchen of Khartoum," in Technicolor.

Anna Neagle's first Hollywood picture under the new Wilcox arrangement will probably be a story around the career of Marie Lloyd.

Hollywood experts are confident of its appeal if Cary Grant can be secured to play Alec Hurley, the coster comedian, whom Marie Lloyd married.

The two Queen Victoria films produced by Mr. Wilcox have returned so far about £625,000 to the distributors.

LITERARY BIBLIOGRAPHY

PHILADELPHIA.

A WPA project designed to compile the first complete bibliography of American literature is underway at the University of Pennsylvania, according to Dr. Arthur Hobson Quinn. He said a staff of 40 would require two to five years to complete the work.

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BRITISH PRECAUTIONS IN MEDITERRANEAN

Parliament Summoned By Premier

LONDON, APR. 10.
GREAT BRITAIN HAS TAKEN URGENT NAVAL PRECAUTIONS IN THE MEDITERRANEAN.
It is understood that Mr. Chamberlain will announce in the House of Commons, which re-assembles on Thursday, that Greece and Turkey had been brought into the European peace front.

The Premier has recalled Naval and Air Force officers from leave, ordered British warships to leave Italian ports and summoned Parliament to meet.
THRUST FEARED

The advance of the Italians through Albania to the Greek and Jugo-Slav frontiers has aroused fears of a Fascist thrust through the Balkans.
The British Cabinet has decided to avoid a denunciation of the Anglo-Italian friendship pact, at least for the present, in an effort to prevent further strain on relations with Rome, and also, it is understood, because of the uncertainty regarding the future of Nationalist Spain in view of General Franco's recent moves favouring the Axis.

POSITION MADE CLEAR
Britain's attitude to Greece is that any Italian move there which will create a threat to British communications will bring Britain to defend Greek frontiers.

It is understood that diplomatic channels have made this British position quite clear to Italy.
It is said that the British guarantee to Greece is intended particularly to prevent important islands like Corfu falling into the hands of the totalitarians.
However, the British Foreign Office has denied reports that Britain had warned Italy against seizing Corfu or that they had advised Italy that such action would be cause for war.—United Press.

WARSHIP MOVEMENTS

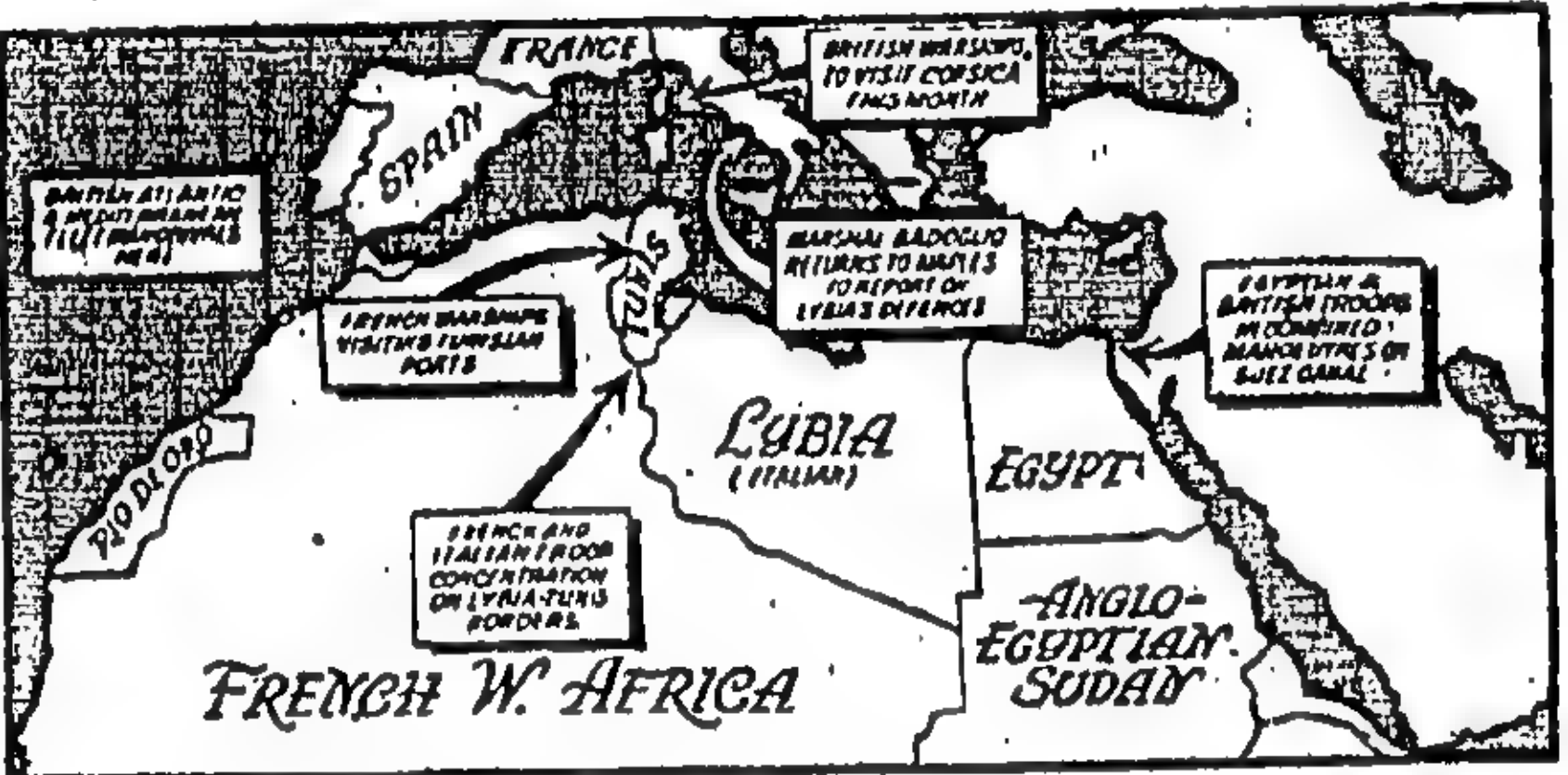
LONDON, Apr. 10.
All units of the Mediterranean Fleet visiting Italian ports left on April 8.
They include the battleship Warspite, flagship of the Commander-in-Chief, which sailed from San Remo.
No official information is given regarding their destination, but it is explained that owing to the obscure situation in Albania, the withdrawal of the ships, which are on courtesy visits, would avoid embarrassment for all concerned.
The battleship Malaya, which has been stationed at Bombay, left there to-day for an unknown destination.—Reuter.

Leave Cancelled
Tangiers, Apr. 11.
All British naval forces from Gibraltar have been ordered to rejoin their ships immediately.—United Press.

Malta Activity
MALTA, Apr. 10.—Costal and anti-aircraft defences at Malta carried out exercises which are officially described as "precautionary."
Officers of the Mediterranean Fleet and the Royal Air Force have been precautionarily recalled to their ships.
Simultaneously, the Fleet has been ordered to prepare for possible orders at short notice.
Civilian employees in the naval dockyard establishment have also been recalled to duty.—United Press.

Precautions Necessary
Paris, Apr. 10.
The morning papers in London and Paris have agreed that the strengthening of the Mediterranean forces is necessary but give no definite information as to what measures might be taken.
The "Petit Parisien" states that the British Government has taken note of the Italian assurances but "nevertheless Britain has decided, in accord with the French Government, that

Fears Of Sudden Aggression



North Africa and the Mediterranean are again in the news. This special "Telegraph" map shows you at a glance what is happening there.

ITALIAN ISLANDS STRENGTHENED

ROME, Apr. 11.
INFORMATION emanating from authoritative sources reveal that the Italian garrison on Dodecanese Islands in the Aegean Sea has been considerably reinforced.
The report says that one regiment has been dispatched to Rhodes Island.

P. & O. SHIP REPAIRED

Canton Leaves Dock After Nine Days

THE P. & O. liner Canton came out of dry dock this morning, only nine days after she entered the basin at the Kowloon Dockyard to have the great gash in her starboard side repaired in the collision with the Marechal Joffre.

A new steel shell, with new portholes, now covers the gaping hole which was torn in the side of the Canton. The dock company must receive commendation for the speed with which the work, which required considerable skill, was done.

How gravely the Canton had been damaged below the water line was revealed when the ship was on the stocks. The fitting of new frames, work and the replacement of 14 plates were found to be necessary. Work on the interior of the ship is now proceeding and it is testimony to the severity of the shock received that 22 cabins have been dismantled and are to be refitted.

To Go To Shanghai
At present the Canton is scheduled to sail at noon on April 20. She will go to Shanghai.

A good job is also being done on the Messageries Maritimes liner Marechal Joffre at Talkoo Dockyard and she is expected to be repaired in good time to leave for Shanghai on May 5. She will leave Hongkong on the return journey to Europe on May 12.

Nellore Undocked
The E. & A. liner Nellore, which has been in Cosmopolitan Dock for survey, was also undocked to-day. She will leave for Japan at 10 a.m. to-morrow.

"Early Bird" By Proxy

PHILADELPHIA.
When a Philadelphia theatre offered special prices of \$1 a seat—"first come, first seated"—H. Vernon hired eight telegraph messenger boys to go to the theatre early and obtain good orchestra seats for himself and his seven guests.

330,000 Reserves Called Up Italy Increases Standing Army

ROME, Apr. 10.
ITALY HAS called up the 1912 class and the first four months of the 1902 class reserves.
These classes aggregate around 330,000 men, thus bringing the total number of Italians under arms at present, including native troops, to about 900,000.
In a long, caustic editorial to-day, Signor Gayda criticises the United States because she condemned Italian occupation of Albania.
He warns the United States not to meddle in European affairs, and to "mind your own business."
"The United States is not protected by distance," he warns.
Also he warned France not to believe for a single moment that Italy's natural aspirations will be abandoned.—United Press.

Threat To Salonika

Rome, Apr. 10.
Various classes of reservists are reported to have been called to the colours to-day, to replace the troops sent to Albania.
Most of the reservists are reported to be of the 1912 class, and it is stated that they have been called up for a brief duration.
The number is unofficially stated to be 200,000.
That the British decision regarding Albania may be left to Parliament has aroused the hope in Italian political circles that Italy's action may be passed over with nothing stronger than a diplomatic note from London.
Italy is watching jealously every word that is written about Corfu.
Some circles threaten that if Corfu is occupied against Italy, she will march to Salonika.—Reuter.

Royal Oak Captain In Sea

Capt. C. Cantile, commanding the battle cruiser Royal Oak, and two seamen narrowly escaped drowning in Portland Harbour recently when a speed dinghy, taking them back to the ship, crashed into a buoy and sank.
The two seamen are in the Royal Naval Hospital suffering from shock.
Hearing a crash, the skipper of a launch which had just left the Royal Oak, altered his course and reached the scene just in time.
One of the seamen in the launch said:
"We heard a crash in the distance. Switching on a portable searchlight, we saw three men in the sea. When we picked them up they were exhausted."
"We were amazed to recognise one as the captain of the cruiser."

Hum Gave Him New Chord

The habit of Yehudi Menuhin of leaving his money behind led the world famous young violinist to polish a hospital floor, which, incidentally, inspired him to a new expression of a music motif.
Yehudi's wife had undergone an operation in a New England hospital. He was anxious to telephone his mother in Washington about the mother's success.
When he reached the telephone booth at the front of the hospital Menuhin discovered he was without money.
He saw a hospital porter waxing the floors, and asked him for the needed coins.
"I have none on me, either," said the porter, who immediately dashed away to get them.
Ten minutes later the porter returned and found Menuhin completing his waxing of the floors, and handing the machine like an expert.
"The hum of that machine has given me a new note which I shall try to reproduce on my violin," Menuhin said.

NAMTAU CITY IN FLAMES LANDING NR. FRONTIER

JAPANESE TROOPS landed in the Po On area at 7 o'clock this morning, and were reported at noon to be pushing inland towards Shum Chun.
According to reports received in authoritative circles in Hongkong, and later confirmed from Chinese sources, approximately 1,400 Japanese landed at Taishingkai, about three miles north of Namtau, shortly after day-break.

Namtau Ablaze

At 3 o'clock this afternoon it was reported from semi-official sources that the Japanese had captured Namtau and that the city was completely ablaze.
Namtau has a normal population of about 10,000 and before the original Japanese occupation of the Peninsula was a highly fortified area.
It was captured by the Japanese about three months ago, but was subsequently evacuated.
Namtau is less than a mile from British waters in Deep Bay and is about eight miles from Shum Chun, the border city on the Kowloon-Canton Railway.
Chinese Maritime Customs officials were evacuated from Shaho this morning.

K.C.R. Objective?

Original reports received in Hongkong indicated that the invaders were advancing towards Deep Bay. It now appears, however, that the Kowloon-Canton Railway may be their objective.
One source expresses the opinion that the Japanese do not intend to disturb the Hongkong frontier, but have landed in order to flank the Chinese guerrillas who are operating along the railway between Shiekung and Cheungmuktau.
Yesterday, it was reported unofficially that the Chinese had recaptured Shiekung.
Police authorities—in Hongkong admit having information of a Japanese landing, but state that the border region is absolutely quiet.

Quiet On Border

The "Telegraph" was informed by border police officials this afternoon that there were no signs of panic anywhere along the frontier.
Chinese reports, confirming the landing, stated at 2 p.m. that severe fighting was in progress by the Japanese invaders and combined guerrilla and regular forces between Namtau and Shum Chun.
Military units in the Po On district are being rushed to reinforce the defenders.

Inebriates Get Comforts

Cells at London police stations are to be made comfortable for intoxicated prisoners, by special order of the commissioner of police. He has decreed that rubber, cushion mattresses and pillows are to be supplied for the cells which hitherto had only hard wooden benches.

TROOPS INVADE ALBANIAN MOUNTAIN AREAS FROM AIR

ITALY is using troop planes on an unprecedented scale in order to land soldiers in remote districts in Albania. Fighting still continues in the invaded country.

News Summary

Thursday in view of the situation in the Mediterranean.

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FIVE MEN are in hospital in Hongkong as the result of three daring piracies near the Colony.

PAGE FIVE
TENSION IN EUROPE has shifted to Greece, which fears an Italian attack. Britain has warned Italy that any violation of Greek territory will mean war.

PAGE TWO
A GIRL formerly employed by K. Weiss, of Messrs. Rolny & Co., sued Weiss this morning for \$1,000 damages for alleged assault. A doctor and a dentist gave evidence of the girl's injuries.

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MR. CHAMBERLAIN has summoned Parliament to meet on

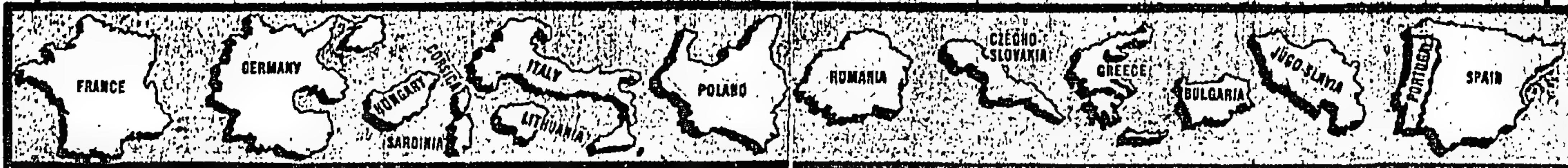
PAGE FIVE
ITALIAN NEWSPAPERS launch virulent attacks on the United States, whose policy, they claim, will create war in Europe.

PAGE THREE
REPORTS INDICATE that Italy and Germany are fortifying large areas in Spain. German and Japanese military officials have signed a military pact with General Franco.

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AN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW with Mr. Lloyd George, veteran Liberal leader, was given to a "United Press" correspondent. Mr. Lloyd George discusses the situation in Europe.

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A GREAT PLAN for a barter arrangement between the democracies is being mooted in the United States.

European jig-saw: Would you reshape the pieces?



PREMIER CALLS PART.

Britain And France Warn Mussolini

LONDON, Apr. 10. THE LATEST EUROPEAN crisis created by Italy's invasion of Albania has resulted in Parliament's Easter recess being interrupted.

Parliament was originally scheduled to re-assemble on April 18, but "in public interest," says a "Reuter" despatch, both Houses have been summoned to meet on Thursday of this week. "Reuter" adds that it is not expected that the sitting will last more than one day.

Italy Warned

A "United Press" message from Paris reports that Britain and France have issued a joint warning to Mussolini. The warning will be transmitted through the British Ambassador to Rome.

It will state that any further expansion threatening the status quo in the Mediterranean will be opposed by the full force of British and French arms.

The French Premier and Foreign Minister are in constant communication with Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax.

It is unofficially reported that the French Foreign Minister has conferred with the Soviet Ambassador regarding the possibility of Russian intervention on behalf of several Balkan States in the event of war.

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Planes Land Italian Soldiers In Albania's Mountain Areas



DICTATORS AND SPAIN

Fruits Of Democracy's Non-Intervention

PARIS, Apr. 10. The newspaper "L'Oeuvre" reports that General Franco, with German, Italian and Japanese representatives in Spain, has signed a secret military treaty under which "Spain placed all her naval and air bases at the disposal of the Axis."

The Axis has assumed all costs of the Goering-Gomara plan—the establishment of 60 miles of fortified zones behind the Pyrenees and the creation of certain strategic bases. "Moreover, the Axis and Japan will assume the obligation to support General Franco's national territorial demands."

In Berlin and Rome it is said that the Axis demands would be for the possession of French Morocco.—United Press.

"Treason" To Spain

Moscow, Apr. 10. Stating that the two great democracies, France and Britain, through their "treason" to Republican Spanish interests, have suffered a bad defeat on the Pyrenean Peninsula, the "Pravda" comments on the advance of Spain to the anti-Communist Pact. The paper states that France and Britain can now no longer count on Spanish neutrality in the event of a war, and that their hopes of gaining influence in Spain by recognising the Franco regime were, from the beginning, doomed to disappointment.—Trans-Ocean.

ITALIAN TROOPS are being landed in the less accessible towns in Albania by aeroplanes, it was revealed to-day.

Coritsa, on the Yugo-Slav frontier, was occupied in this manner, light Breda planes landing Grenadiers in a small field near the town.

Reinforcements also arrived by air at Tirana to-day, and it is reported that Berat, south of Elbasan, was taken over by the Italians to-day.

The territory now under Italian control includes the oil fields at Devoli, which were formerly under Italian supervision.

In recent years the Italians have bored 380 wells in this area, and production of oil has increased from 13,000 cubic metres in 1935 to 120,000 cubic metres in 1938.—Trans-Ocean.

5,000 Land From Planes

Two hundred transport planes each carried 24 fully equipped Italian infantrymen to the inaccessible mountains of southern Albania to-day.

They dropped the infantry in the region of the Greek-Albanian frontier and returned for reinforcements. In this manner, it is expected that by nightfall all stations will be occupied and the occupation of Albania almost completed.

It is understood that the Italian artillery in Albania has sufficient range for the combined Italian coastal batteries to close the narrow entrance to the Adriatic without the aid of the navy.

One of the first acts of the provisional government in Albania was to release all political prisoners who had been jailed for activities against King Zog.—United Press.

London Comment

At one stroke the Italian dictator has summoned the world against him, observes the "Evening Standard" in discussing Mussolini's Albanian adventure, and its consequences.

Humanity, both Catholic, Protestant and Moslem, have spoken as one voice, continues the comment. After pointing out that no one believes this blow to be an isolated action, the paper discusses the reaction in Britain now, as contrasted with last September, and it says that the feeling of outrage is more widespread, but no sign of panic is evident.—Reuter.

Mussolini Delayed

It is reported that Mussolini's trip to Albania has been postponed owing to the tense situation in the Mediterranean.

It is understood that the Government is closely watching international developments, particularly the "unknown destination" of the British and French fleet movements.—United Press.

This Is In The German Style

Rome, Apr. 10. Albanians are falling over each other in their eagerness to express submission and gratitude to Il Duce, according to a "Trans-Ocean" message, which says that groups of Albanians in all of the principal towns have sent addresses personally thanking Il Duce for sending "valiant troops of a friendly nation" to rescue Albania from "degrading slavery."

The conviction is expressed, says the message, that under the leadership of Mussolini, Albania will experience an era of prosperity and honour, social justice, and Fascist freedom.

In conclusion, Il Duce is urged to form a Fascist Party in Albania as soon as possible.

Count Ciano is reported to have received a telegram to-day from the Citizens Committee in Elbasan in which gratitude is expressed to Mussolini, while the citizens of Valona have sent a message to Count Ciano in which the Italian troops are eulogised as the liberators of Albania from an "avaricious and haughty oligarchy."

"Peace And Co-operation"

In a proclamation to the Albanian people, issued in Tirana to-day, General Guzzoni, chief of the Italian forces, declared that his troops had arrived in Albania to carry out an action of peace and co-operation, and

that they had already occupied the important centres of the country. Public order, the sanctity of private possessions, freedom of religious belief, and the honour and noble tradition of the Albanian people will be guaranteed, he promised, and Albania will enter upon a new era of labour and justice prosperity and progress.

Anyone who opposes this programme will be severely punished, he declared, and anyone who attempts to organise resistance to the Italians will be immediately court-martialed.

"Albanians!" he declared in conclusion, "the King and Il Duce are interested only in your welfare. Return to your work under the protection of the Fascists. A great future is beginning for Albania."—Trans-Ocean.

Berat Occupied

Tirana, Apr. 10. The Italian military command in Albania announces that the Italian forces which landed at Valona on the southern coast of Albania on Monday reached Berat, important town about 35 miles north-east of Valona.—Domel.

Girl, 16, In Love With Ex-Convict

Ex-convict Harry Armstrong, 38-years-old manservant, of Seaford, Sussex, at the Old Bailey recently was sentenced to death for the murder of his sweetheart, Peggy Irene Violet Pentecost, aged 16, of Brighton, in a Waterloo-road, S.E., hotel.

He smirked as Mr. Justice Humphreys said to him: "I am afraid you have brought to an end a bad life of which the jury knew nothing."

The jury knew Armstrong as a soberly dressed man, who told in a matter-of-fact voice of his movements—the alibi which failed—on the night of the murder.

But the police knew him as a man who had many previous convictions.

INJURED GIRL

In 1925, at 24, he was sentenced to 15 months' imprisonment at Surrey Assizes for wounding a young woman, Mabel Brown, on Sunningdale Golf Course.

He was originally charged with attempting to murder the girl, who in her evidence said that she was sitting with Armstrong in a shelter when he caught hold of her. She recovered consciousness to find her throat injured.

In February 1928, at the Mansion House, Armstrong was bound over for breaking into the house of the Rev. Dr. J. G. Simpson, Canon of St. Paul's, at Amen-court, E.C.

In the next three years he was sentenced to 31 months' imprisonment at Surrey Assizes, Hampshire Assizes and London Sessions for house breaking, shopbreaking, and larceny.

He made his first appearance at the Old Bailey in April 1931, when he was sentenced to three years' penal servitude for housebreaking.

JURY THANKED

Recently, when the jury returned after a 40 minutes' absence, Armstrong told them, "I appreciate everything you have done. No doubt you have had a difficult task."

In spite of your verdict, I am not guilty of the murder of Irene Pentecost. But Mr. Justice Humphreys, before passing the death sentence, said: "The evidence most amply justified the verdict."

Mr. and Mrs. B. Wylie, who are proceeding to England on a vacation, departed by the American President liner President Coolidge last night.

MOSLEM CONDEMNATION

LONDON, Apr. 10.—Leading Moslems at a meeting in London to-day demanded that Signor Mussolini renounce the title of "Defender of Islam," which he assumed after the Abyssinian conquest.

The meeting also urged that the Oriental Academy opened in Italy five years ago should be closed as a protest against Fascist propaganda in India, Egypt, and the East.

The meeting sent a deputation to the Italian Embassy to communicate these demands.—Reuter.

ROME, Apr. 10.

GAYDA'S ATTACK ON U.S.

"Policy That Will Lead To War"

Rome, Apr. 10.

American press and official comment on Italy's action in Albania is sharply criticised by Signor Gayda, editor of the "Giornale d'Italia" to-day.

He advises America to "mind her own business," and not to concern herself with Italian action in the pacification of Albania.

The American press allegations that Italy's ambitions extend to Yugo-Slavia and Greece are hotly denied and described as entirely false.

Gayda calls attention to British action in Palestine, and to French action in Syria.

He adds that Italy, like Germany, will defend herself with all the means at her disposal against a British policy of encirclement, and for this reason naturally, has an interest in Yugo-Slavia and Greece.

"Loyal Friendship"

Yugo-Slavia, he says, realises the true value of "loyal friendship and co-operation with Italy," and he assumes that this will become even more significant in the future.

Italy has no intention of interfering in any way with Greece, in spite of the latter's decision to follow the lead of England, and her willingness to place her harbours at the disposal of the British navy.

Greece, says Gayda, is free to choose her own path without pressure from outside.

Foreign press statements that Italian action in Albania was taken because of the French refusal to come to terms as regards colonial compensation are vigorously denied. Even after the solution of the Albanian problem, the questions between France and Italy remain to be settled, says Signor Gayda.—Trans-Ocean.

"Criminal Game"

Rome, Apr. 10. Commenting on the United States' stand in the present European situation the "Messaggero" claims that it is openly tending to cause war in Europe.

"Americans, after having rejoiced because of the change in Mr. Chamberlain's policy, are now annoyed at this change not being profound enough to provoke what the American war mongers would like, namely, direct intervention by Britain and France against Italy because of the Albanian question."

"It is a criminal American game which openly tends to cause conflagration in Europe, in all manifestations of the acts of those responsible for North American politics," the paper says.—United Press.

American Anxiety

Washington, Apr. 10. Anxieties arising from the uncertainties at home and abroad have given a special significance to President Roosevelt's return to Washington.

President Roosevelt will review with his legislative leaders all the vital problems pending in Congress, including the controversy over the revision or repeal of the Neutrality Law, and the emergency appropriation for Relief for the remainder of this year.

His special train arrives from Warm Springs at 11.15 a.m. One of his first acts will be to confer with the Secretary of State, who has prepared reports on the European situation received from United States diplomatic representatives abroad.

During the President's 10-day vacation, the Rome-Berlin Axis has turned again and Albania has disappeared, prompting a White House spokesman to assert that each totalitarian expansion has further lessened the United States political safety and economic well-being.

The Foreign Relations Committee are half way through their hearings on the Neutrality Law, which expires next month. The recommendations and final agreement between Congress and the President may prove to be as important as any single policy developed during six years of the New Deal.—United Press.

Schacht In Bombay

BOMBAY, Apr. 10.—Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, former President of the Reichsbank, arrived here to-day in the course of his world tour.—Reuter.

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8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.02 Albert Sandler and His Orchestra.

Fantasia On Irish Airs (arr. Jules Mulder); Where The Woods Are Green (Brooklynn—arr. Weninger); Tell Me To-night (from same); Waltzes From Theatre-Land; Si Mes Vers Avenit Des Ailes (Hahn).

8.28 Songs by Millia Korjus (Soprano).

Bell Song ("Lakme"—Delibes); Oriental Prayer ("Lakme"—Delibes); with the Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Bruno Seidler-Winkler.

8.37 Selections from Light Opera, "Chu Chin Chow"—Selection (Norton); The London Palladium Orchestra cond. by Richard Cream; "Florodora"—Vocal Gems (Stuart); "Light Opera Company"—Medley (Hahn); "Dollars, Princesses"—Medley (Hahn); "Not Shillret and His Orchestra"; "The Chocolate Soldier"—Vocal Gems (O. Straus); The Columbia Light Opera Company with Orchestra.

9.15 London Relay—The News.

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BRITISH TROOPS MAY LAND

ROME THREAT TO GREECE

ATHENS, Apr. 11.

IT IS REPORTED here that England has informed Italy that the seizure of any Greek territory, harbour or island will mean war.—United Press.

LONDON, Apr. 10.

Reliable reports here say that Britain has informed Italy that the British Government will take "a grave view of any further Italian action disturbing the European status quo.

Lord Halifax has conveyed this warning to the Italian Charge d'Affaires in London.

At the same time the British Ambassador to Rome has informed the Italian Foreign Minister, both emphasising that the warning applies particularly to threats against Greece and Turkey.

This message is believed to fore-shadow a British guarantee to Greece and Turkey this week.—United Press.

No German Troop Movements

BERLIN, Apr. 10.—Well informed circles here doubt whether any big scale troop movements are under way in Germany.

There is no indication of unusual military activity in Berlin, although there are persistent rumours of concentrations both in the east and the west.—United Press.

Cabinet Discussion

LONDON, Apr. 10.—The special Cabinet meeting today is expected to discuss measures Britain will take if Greece is threatened as a result of the Italian occupation of Albania.

The extension of an immediate guarantee to Greece, it is understood, will be the principal topic of conversation, together with the despatch of British warships to Greek ports if Greece requests aid.

It is understood that preparations for such an eventuality were the main reason for Sunday's meeting at the headquarters of the Committee for Imperial Defence.

Greek Anxiety

It is understood that the Greek Government conveyed to Britain her anxiety about the 150 mile frontier on Albania, but especially about Corfu, which could be brought under gunfire from the hills of Albania.

Political circles express the belief that a British guarantee to Greece might include the despatch of British warships, with a possible landing of British troops at Corfu, which would thus serve as a base for the British guarantee.

Naval Visits Cancelled

Meanwhile, the Admiralty has cancelled a series of naval visits which were planned in the Mediterranean during Easter, including visits to San Remo, Naples and Sorrento.

H.M.S. Warspite, flagship of the Commander-in-Chief, Sir Dudley Pound, and H.M.S. Barham, flagship of the second in command, Vice Admiral Sir Geoffrey Layton, were originally due to spend several days at San Remo and Naples respectively.

Both have arrived, but they have already departed from Italian ports.

A division of destroyers was also scheduled to spend several days at Sorrento.—United Press.

Anglo-French Action

Paris, Apr. 10.—Opinion here is that no spectacular action to counter Mussolini in the Adriatic will be undertaken by Britain and France, but there will be an acceleration of diplomatic talks with London, aiming at obtaining consent from Greece for the utilisation of Corfu as a naval base.

It is known that the British prefer a diplomatic "arrangement" with Athens for the use of Corfu, instead of open occupation, even with Athens' consent.

It is recalled that the Greeks gave Britain permission to use Corfu as a base during the Anglo-Italian crisis and at the time of the Ethiopian campaign.

The renewal of such an agreement would mean, in effect, that Britain would be able to maintain forces continually at Corfu and thus be ready to repel any attempt by Italy to seize the island, since the British agreement with Athens would evidently be part of a pact of assistance in the event of aggression.

Balance Of Power

While British diplomacy is concentrated on the strategic necessity of keeping the balance of power in the Adriatic, Britain and France have moved together in trying to secure closer collaboration between the Soviet and the Balkans.

It is felt that Turkey and Russia together can effectively keep control of the Black Sea and the Dardanelles, no matter what happens in Rumania.

At the same time the Greeks, despite their reluctance to collaborate militarily with Russia, would be prepared to accept Soviet military help against any move by Italy and Bulgaria to secure an outlet to the Aegean Sea for Bulgaria, and this new situation is now being discussed.

Both Britain and France believe that a policy of not openly provoking the Axis powers through ostentatious

action, means valuable time gained to line up the anti-aggression States.

"Hands Off"

The British warning to Italy to keep her hands off Greece is expected to divert the dictators' plans in other directions, most likely to Yugoslavia unless the Yugo-Slavs consent to enter into a protective system.

Although both British and French official attitude towards the situation is becoming slightly easier, there is a feeling in diplomatic quarters that any respite is only temporary, as the dictators have now launched another phase of lightning moves in the belief that Britain and France will not risk counter measures which, to be effective, would mean war against the Axis.—United Press.

Greek Anxiety

ATHENS, Apr. 10.—With the purpose of quelling public anxiety in Greece the Prime Minister to-day issued a statement stating that the independence and integrity of Greece has been absolutely assured.

This statement is considered to be a confirmation of Britain's guarantee in independence to Greece.

However, both British and Greek circles here have declined to reveal whether such a pledge has already been given.—United Press.

Italian Assurance

LONDON, Apr. 10.—Authoritative sources here assert that the Greek Premier's statement in Athens refers to assurances given by Italy to Greece.

Negotiations between London and Athens are moving towards a British guarantee, but up to this afternoon reliable sources state that the British pledge had not been given.—United Press.

Text To Be Released

Paris, Apr. 10.—It is learned that Greek papers to-morrow will publish the text of the statement in which the Italian Government guarantees the absolute territorial integrity of Greece, according to a despatch from Athens.—Reuter.

"Reuter" Statement

LONDON, Apr. 10.—Reports current to-night of a British guarantee to Greece are not strictly in accordance with the facts, writes "Reuter's" lobby correspondent.

The position after to-day's Cabinet meeting appears to be that the Ministers had under consideration a statement in which the Italian Government guarantees the absolute territorial integrity of Greece, according to a despatch from Athens.—Reuter.

Premier's Assurance

ATHENS, Apr. 10.—Premier Metaxas of Greece to-day issued a message to the people stating that the Government possesses all the means of assuring the absolute independence and integrity of the country.

He advised them to go quietly about their business, confident that the Government will continue to be vigilant for their safety and honour.—Reuter.

Salonika Threatened

LONDON, Apr. 10.—It is understood that British and French intelligence services have both reported that Italy "envisages" a thrust through Greece to Salonika.

This report is not viewed in official quarters as necessarily indicating immediate military action.—United Press.

Time To Talk Past

Paris, Apr. 10.—"France will now take steps to be ready for all emergencies. The time to talk and make solemn declarations is past."

This is the almost unanimous statement in the Paris papers to-day.

"Temps" states that an agreement on "precautionary measures has been reached between London and Paris," although the paper is not able to state what exactly these measures will be.

It is hinted that on Sunday the National Defence Council decided on new measures which will be submitted and supplemented by the Cabinet Council on Tuesday. The Ministerial Council will meet on Wednesday to ratify the measures, and they will then be carried by the President, M. Lebrun.—Trans-Ocean.



DIPLOMATS ACTIVE

Britain Tightens Naval Grip

ISTANBUL, Apr. 10.

THE VISIT of the Rumanian Foreign Minister, M. Gafencu, to Turkey, which was originally planned for the second part of April, but which was suddenly advanced when Italian action in Albania was taken, was due purely to British initiative, it is declared in Turkish political circles.

Foreign Minister Gafencu, while in Istanbul discussed the Dardanelles agreement with the Turkish Minister, whereby British warships would be accorded unrestricted passage into the Black Sea, where Rumania has already promised England a naval base on the Rumanian coast.

An attempt is also said to have been made to gain Turkish support against Bulgarian demands for revision of the frontier. Turkey refused to support Rumania in this respect.

It is also declared in official circles that Turkey will avoid any Dardanelles agreement in order to prevent future complications, and to keep the political tension from becoming still worse.—Trans-Ocean.

Intense Activity

Bucharest, Apr. 10.—The return of the Rumanian Foreign Minister, M. Gafencu, from Istanbul was followed to-day by intense diplomatic activity.

M. Gafencu received the Yugo-Slav Ambassador, and the French, Italian, and Hungarian Ministers.—Reuter.

Discussions In London

LONDON, Apr. 10.—The Greek and Rumanian Ministers called at the Foreign Office during a meeting of the Cabinet this morning.

The Rumanian Minister returned during the afternoon, when the Italian Charge d'Affaires also called.

Mr. Clement Attlee's conversation with Mr. Neville Chamberlain at No. 10 Downing Street this afternoon lasted for 45 minutes.—Reuter.

Belgrade Turns On Mussolini

Belgrade, Apr. 10.—While the Government maintains a reserved attitude, public opinion in Yugo-Slavia has become suddenly embittered against Italy.

During the holiday, anti-Italian demonstrations on a small scale occurred in Belgrade and Skopje.

It is pointed out that Italy now could close the Adriatic at will, leaving Salonika as Yugo-Slavia's only source of supply by sea, except for the circuitous route through the Bosphorus and up the Danube.—Reuter.

Paris Meeting

Paris, Apr. 10.—To-morrow's meeting of the French Cabinet will be devoted to a close study of the situation in the Balkans and the Mediterranean.

Although it was stated at the Quai d'Orsay to-night that Britain had no intention of occupying Corfu, it is regarded as certain that co-operative measure of security by Britain and France will be discussed.

It is reported that certain decisions in connection with national defence may be agreed upon to-morrow, to ensure that France may be ready for any eventuality, but qualified quarters are observing the greatest discretion in this connection.

Anyhow, nothing is likely to leak out about them until the Council of Ministers has met on Wednesday.

M. Georges Bonnet to-morrow will give the Cabinet an account of his talks with British and other representatives, and M. Daladier will expound the measures adopted for the security of France.

Although it is stated in official quarters to-night that the atmosphere is considered less tense, plainly France is leaving nothing to chance.—Reuter.

Chinese Drive Under Way

Chiungking Launches Big Campaign

CHUNGKING, Apr. 10.

THE much-heralded Chinese general offensive on all fronts from Inner Mongolia to Kwangtung, has either started, or is on the eve of being launched, it was stated in authoritative quarters here to-day.

The initiative in the 21 months of fighting which have already taken place, has hitherto been in the hands of the Japanese.—Reuter.

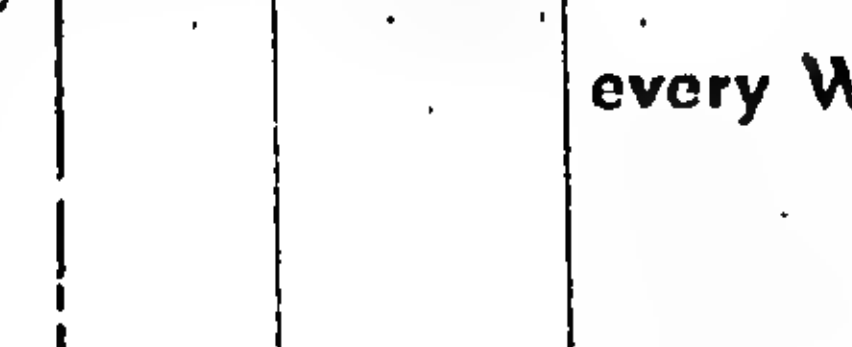
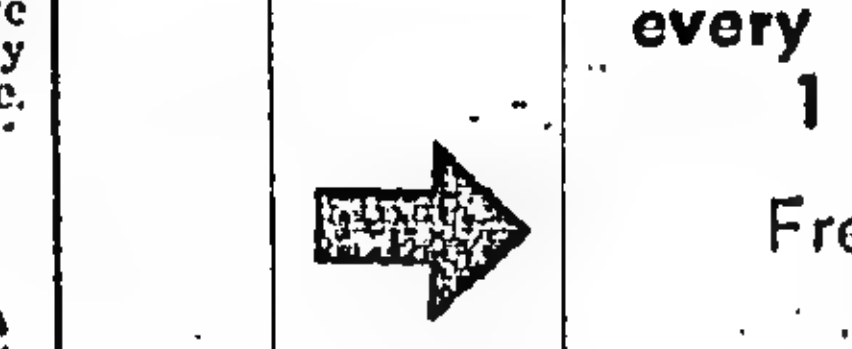
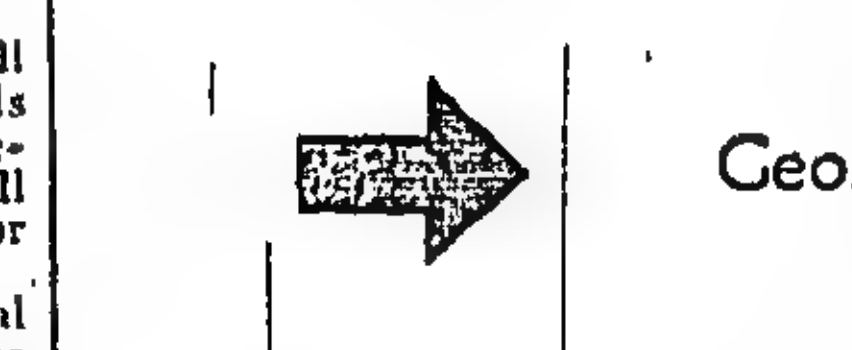
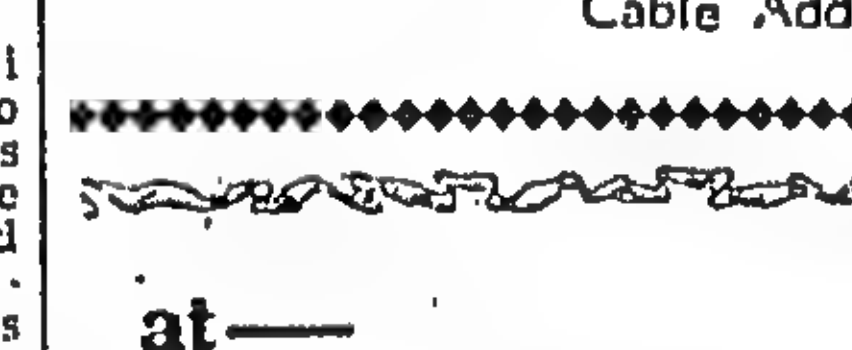
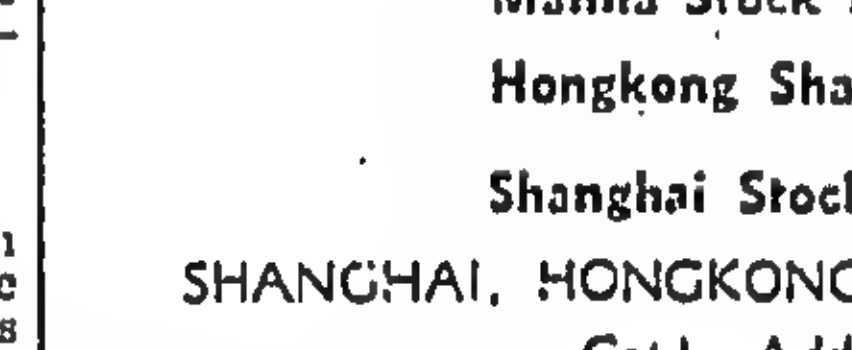
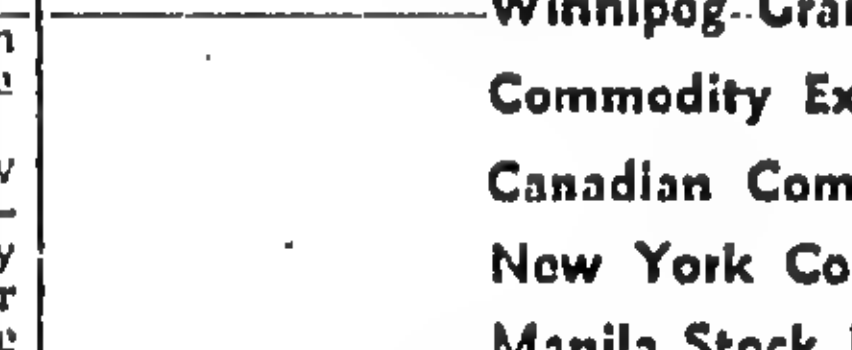
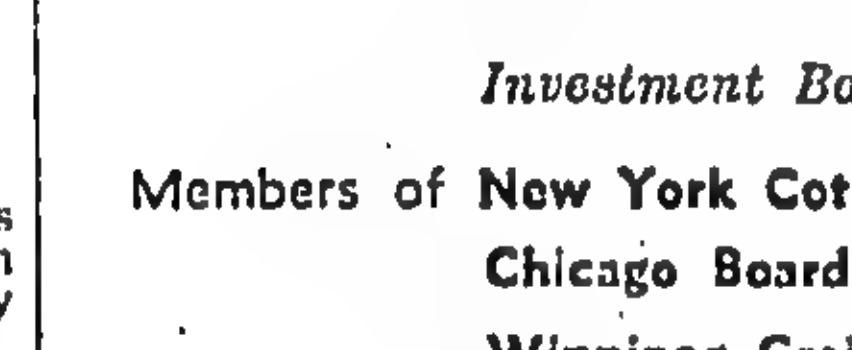
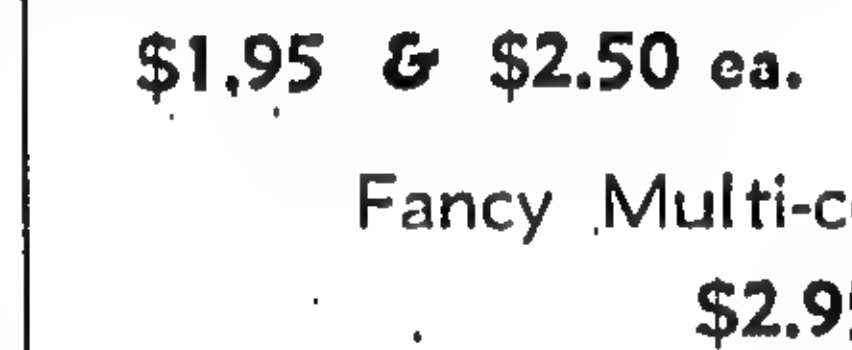
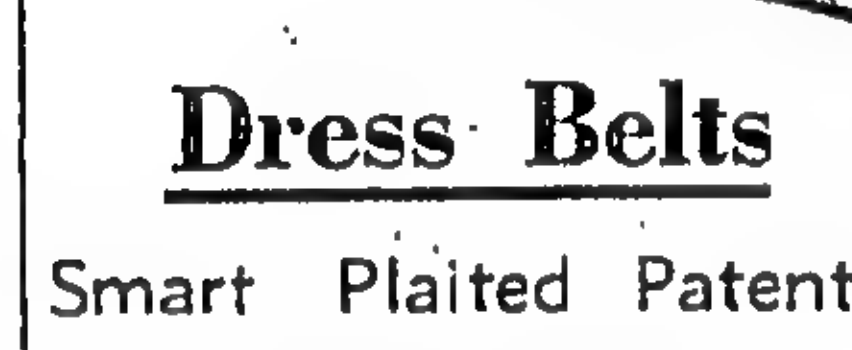
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Chartered Bank	31 n.
Mercantile, A. & B.	27 n.
Mercantile, C.	13 n.
East Asia	80 n.
INSURANCES	
Canton	220 b.
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China Underwriter	142 n.
H.K. Fire	133 b. and s.
SHIPPING	
Douglas	68 n.
Steamships	13 n.
Indo-China, P. S.	60 n.
Indo-China, D.S.	24 n.
Shell Meters	81/104 n.
Waterboats	9 n.
DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves	105 s.
Docks	10 b.
Providents	4,60 s.
New Eng. Sh.	670 n.
Shu. Docks, Sh.	101 1/2 n.
MINING	
Kailash	147 n.
Kailash	8 n.
Venz. Goldfield	3 n.
Hongkong Mines	4 n.
Antamoks	35 s.
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Banglo Gold	24 1/2 s.
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Coco Grove	35 s.
Demonstrations	13 s.
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Hogons	25 1/2 s.
Cannaries	55 s.
San Maricelo	55 s.
Suyo Consols	16 1/2 s.
Paracles	60 s.
LANDS	
Hotels	5 1/2 n.
Lands	33 1/2 b.
Land 4 1/2	104 n.
Shut Lands	4,50 n.
Humphreys	8,55 n.
H.K. Realties	4,40 n.
Chinese Estates	102 n.
UTILITIES	
Trams	16,35 s.
Peak Trams (old)	14 n.
Peak Trams (new)	14 n.
Star Ferries	67 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries (old)	24 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries (new)	24 n.
China Lights (old)	8,35 s.
China Lights (new)	5,40 b.
H.K. Electric	55 1/2 s.
Macao Electric	14 1/2 s.
Sandakan Lights	12 n.
Telephones (old)	23 n.
Telephones (new)	7 1/4 n.
Tractions	22 n.
Tractions (Pref.)	22 1/2 n.
INDUSTRIAL	
Cold Macg. (old)	14 n.
Cold Macg. (Pre.)	14 n.
Canton Iron	85 n.
Cement	13 1/2 n.
H.K. Ropes	3,60 n.
STORES, &c.	
Dairy Farms (ex. rts.)	21 1/2 n.
Dairy Farms (rts.)	19 1/2 n.
Wong's	17 1/2 n.
Lane Crawford	8 n.
Sinceres	1,80 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	42 n.
Powell, Ltd.	90 n.
COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Sh.	20 n.
Shui Chien Sh.	104 n.
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Wing On Textiles	40 n.
MISC.	
H.K. Entertainment	6,55 s.
Constructions	14 n.
Vibro Piling	6,30 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925	105 n.
G.S. Bonds	65 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 4 1/2 par	105 n.
H.K. Govt. Loan 3 1/2% par	105 n.
Marsmans (Lond.)	13 1/3 n.
Marsmans (H.K.)	5 1/2 n.

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Closing quotations through Reuters:

	Apr. 10	Apr. 11
Antamok	35	33 1/4
Atok	30	29
Barito Gold	24 1/2	24
Batong Tuhay	015	015
Benguet Cons.	11,70	11,70
Big Wedge	29 1/2	29 1/2
Coco Grove	35	35
Cons. Mines	60 1/2	60 1/2
Demonstrations	13	13
I. K. L.	52	52
Ipo Gold	20	20
Hogon Mining	25 1/2	25 1/2
Mambulao Cons.	12 1/2	12 1/2
Mabulo Cons.	12 1/2	12 1/2
Mine Operation	12 1/2	12 1/2
North Camarines	53	51
Paracle Consols	15	15
San Maricelo	17 1/2	17 1/2
Surgido Cons.	22	22
Suyo Cons.	16 1/2	16 1/2
Syndicate Invest.	04	04
United Paracle	00	00

The following is Swen, Culbertson & Fritz' report on this morning's market:

The morning session on the Manila Gold Share market showed little change in price movements. Fluctuations were from 1/2 centavo to 2 centavos down. Trading was light and the market closed quiet. North Camarines registered the biggest loss by dropping 2 centavos. Yesterday's volume in Pesos amounted to 419,000.

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T.T. Batavia	53 1/2
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Fifth Generations Of Boones

BUTTE, Mont. The Daniel Boone family entered into its fifth generation when a son was born here to Mr. and Mrs. James Allen Boone. Boone is a fourth generation descendant of the famous Indian scout, trapper and Kentucky hero.

Gamecock Rodeo Seen By Two Hundred

The twenty-one English men and women, their retinue of North Country bird handlers, and the survivors of the 148 gamecocks that fought to give them pleasure recently left Calais.

But after the last English bird had left the gamecock behind the hotel Maurice, where he had fought, cockfighting went on. In the Gallandrome, a covered courtyard behind a cafe not far from the hotel, there were eighteen more victims.

Visitors paid ten francs (1s. 2d.) to watch the afternoon's sport. It was different from the secret cockfights in the garage. The English drank champagne; at the Gallandrome the only drink available was beer, costing just over a half-penny a glass.

The English wagered up to £100 on a fight. Half a crown was a big bet in the Gallandrome.

ROMANTIC NAMES If the fighting got slow you could go into the cafe. They stamped a cock on your hand in ink so that you could get back without paying.

The birds were carried into the arena in linen bags. They were big barnyard roosters, much larger than the English fighting cock. Their spurs had been cut off and steel spikes, two-and-a-half inches long, clipped to their legs.

They had romantic names, like Roi d'Enfer (King of Hell) and Napoleon le Brave. When their owners lifted them from the sacks and took the cocks off their spurs the birds seemed gentle, but when one was held out to look at another he pecked viciously, like a snake striking.

The birds were put into the steel-netted ring. The colour of the mat on which they fought was red. Some of the cocks rushed instantly

Alien Mosquitoes Invade Chelsea

Poisoned arms and legs, inflamed eyes, sleepless nights have been worrying hundreds of people in Chelsea.

They are caused by a plague of large mosquitoes. One hundred and fifty residents in Lots-road, Tetcot-road, Upceme-road, and Meek-street, have petitioned Chelsea Borough Council to take action to rid them of the mosquitoes.

The Port of London Authority has refused to allow the creek at the rear of Lots-road to be sprayed with paraffin, so the Chelsea Council is searching for another preparation.

Citadel Would Harm Miss Allan

Film fans clustered outside the Law Courts recently seeking the signatures of stars who attended the third day's hearing of the action brought by Miss Elizabeth Allan.

They presented their autograph books to Clive Brook, Evelyn Laye, Frank Lawton, Florence Desmond, and Mrs. Michael Balcon, wife of the British film director, as they left the court.

Miss Allan is claiming damages for alleged breach of contract from Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer British Studios, Limited, complaining that she was engaged to play the chief part in "The Citadel," that the company announced her as being engaged for the part, and then refused to engage her in breach of their contract.

She was absent from the court in the afternoon owing to a malaise performance. In the morning, dressed in black with a silver fox fur, she sat at the solicitors' table, carrying a handbag with the word "Liz" in gold letters on the front.

"NO FIRM OFFER"

Mr. Ben Goetz, managing director of the company, gave evidence that there was at no time a firm offer of a part to Miss Allan in "The Citadel," a firm acceptance by Mr. O'Brien, her husband, of any such offer.

Asked about the notice said to have been sent out to the Press stating that Miss Allan was to play the part of Christine, Mr. Goetz said that it was a rule in the office that all publicity should have his approval.

Mr. Goetz went on to say that on March 7, 1938, he went with Mr. Victor Saville, who wrote the screen play, to Mr. O'Brien's office. "I told Mr. O'Brien that we were very sorry, but we could not play Miss Allan in 'The Citadel.' The part had been rewritten and she would not now fit it."

"It was not my personal decision that she should not take the part. I wanted her to take it," he added.

If Miss Allan had played Christine as the part was rewritten it would have hurt her more than it would have helped, said Mr. Goetz. In his view it did not follow necessarily that an actress would be harmed by not playing a part which she had been publicly announced as being about to play.

The hearing was adjourned.

The cruiser U.S.S. Marblehead left Hongkong this morning for Shanghai after a stay of two days.

Author Beaten By Gangsters

John Worby, ex-tramp and author of the successful best seller "The Other Half," was beaten up by gangsters in London recently. He went to the Lambeth Hospital.

Worby has just completed his new book, "Spiv's Progress," in which he fearlessly exposes the gangsters of Britain, their terrorism, and the trickeries and rackets which are worked.

This book was awaited with great interest, and in some quarters with uneasiness.

Recently Worby was in a cafe in the West End with two friends, one a member of the firm of J. M. Dent and Sons, Ltd., the publishers of the book, when he was suddenly attacked by a gang.

With badly discoloured eyes (a stitch had to be put in the corner of the left one), a swollen jaw, cut lips, bruises on the back of his head and on his body, Worby said:

"I was sitting in the cafe when the gang about a dozen strong, came in, caught hold of me and dragged me outside."

"When my friends attempted to interfere they were pushed roughly aside and told: 'It's this—we want.'"

"The gang got me on the ground and kicked me savagely. Only one used his fists. It's a wonder I'm alive."

Worby was taken to Charing Cross Hospital and he left after receiving attention. Later he became delirious and was taken to Lambeth Hospital where he was found to be suffering from slight concussion.

His book, "Spiv's Progress," will be published shortly.

"Bombs" On A London Station To Test A.R.P.

The Paddington area was blacked out for three hours after midnight recently to test the arrangements made in Paddington Station to deal with air raids.

Because goods and other traffic special fire engines, part of the station had to be despatched, one platform had to be kept fully illuminated while the rest of the station was in darkness except for tiny blue lights. Twenty minutes after the alarm had been sounded there was a loud report outside the station.

An imitation incendiary "bomb" flared away.

Auxiliary firemen run up with a hose and sprayed the station wall near which the "bomb" had dropped, to prevent the fire spreading. The "bomb" itself was dealt with.

Then a red smoke flare broke into fire half-way up the building. Two

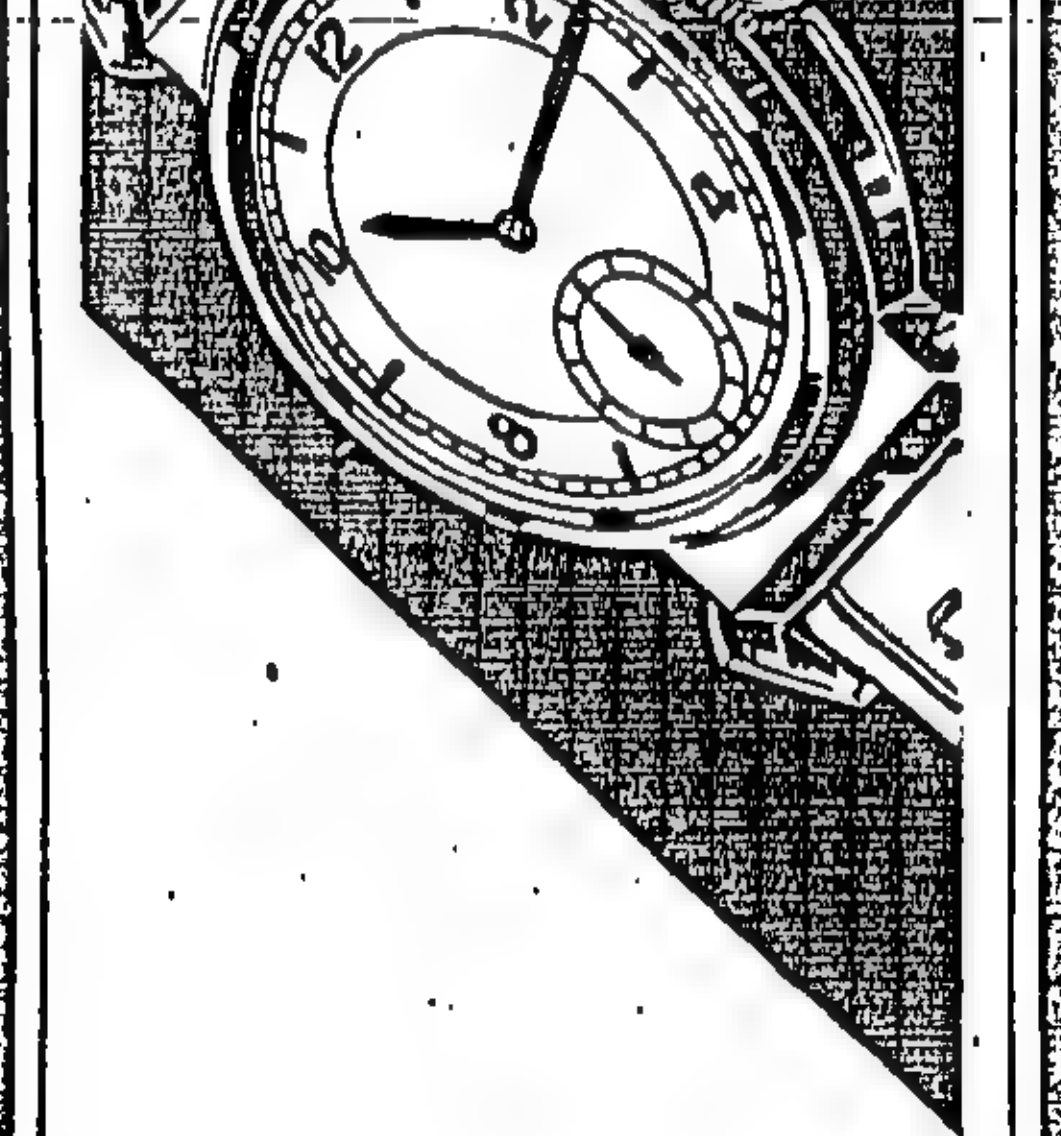
special fire engines, part of the station A.R.P. equipment, arrived.

Hoses were run out. Two escape ladders were run up to a roof. The firemen brought down dummies, where were placed on ambulance handcars and rushed away.

Forty-five minutes after the warning siren the fully-illuminated platform was vacated by a departing train, and immediately the lights were extinguished and small blue lights took their place.

At 2 a.m. a huge white flare illuminated the whole of one end of the station. Another "bomb" had dropped. The fire and rescue squads again came into action. And so it went on for three hours.

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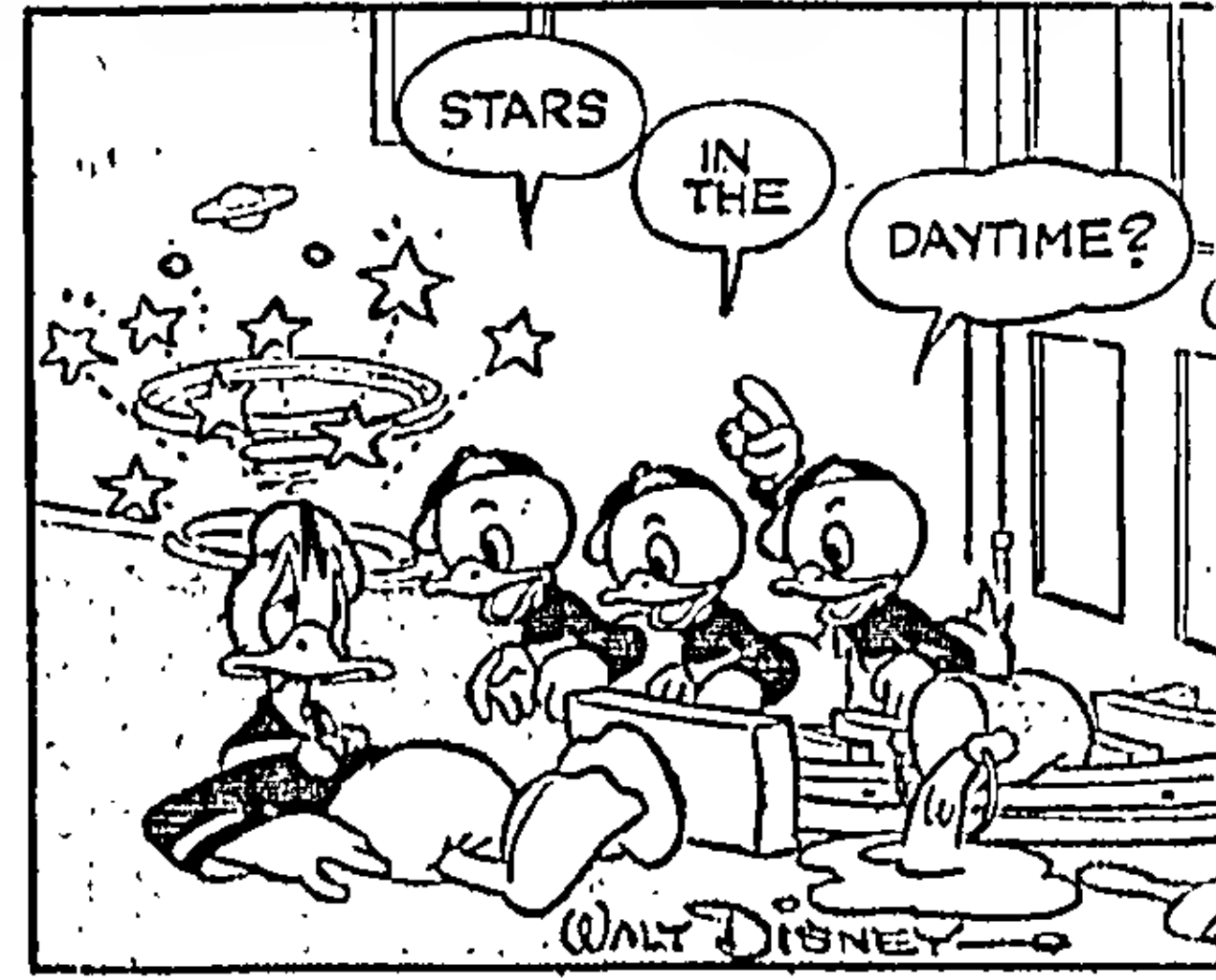
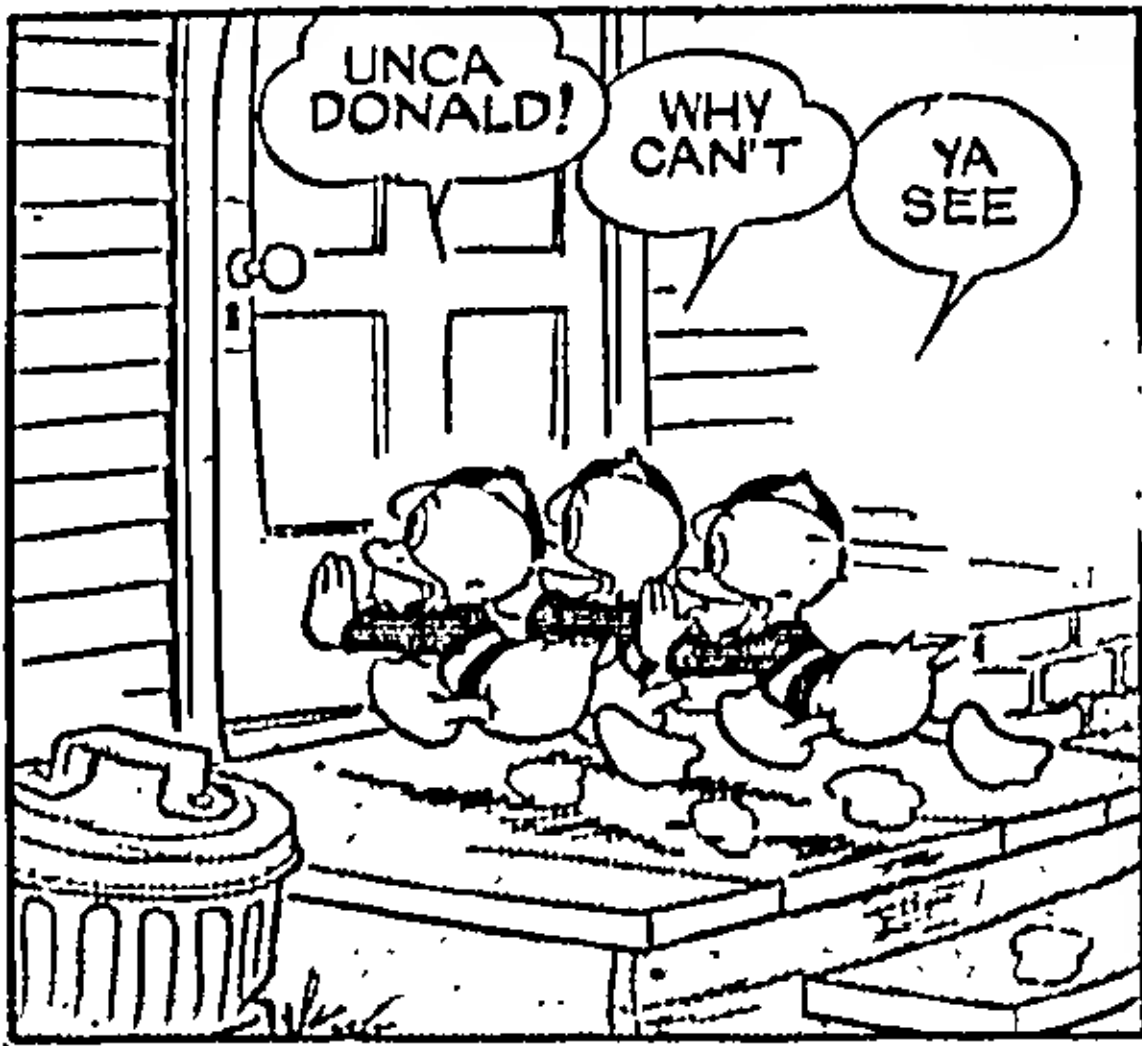
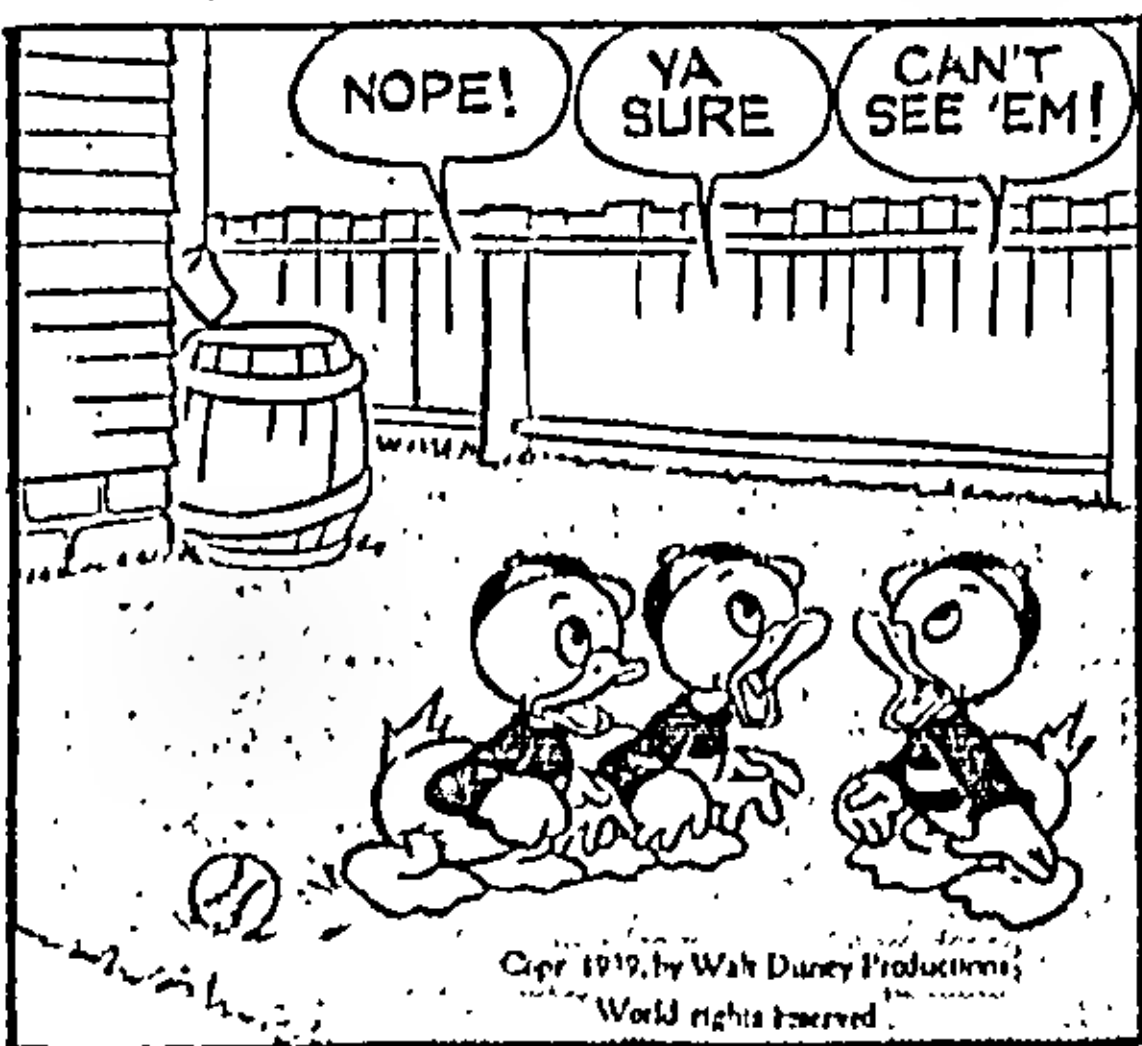
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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 5th April	Imperial Airways Plane	April 12.
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Australia and Manila	Ajax	April 19.
Straits	Kamo Maru	April 20.
Formosa	Hakusan Maru	April 21.
	Hakozaki Maru	April 21.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Wednesday		
Swatow, Chuanchow and Foochow	Holloway	Wed., Apr. 12, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Taiyang	Wed., Apr. 12, 1.30 p.m.
Thursday		
Canton	Canton Maru	Thurs., Apr. 13, 7.15 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Carthage	Thurs., Apr. 13, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Jenn Laborde	Thurs., Apr. 13, 1.30 p.m.
Haiphong	Taiyang	Thurs., Apr. 13, 3.30 p.m.
Amoy	Taiyuan	Thurs., Apr. 13, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 20th April	Imperial Airways Plane	Thurs., Apr. 13, 5.30 p.m.
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Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 22nd April	Imperial Airways Plane	Thurs., Apr. 13, 5.30 p.m.
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	G.P.O.	Thurs., Apr. 13, 5.30 p.m.
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Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America via Vancouver B.C. and (Papers and Papers only for Canada)—due Vancouver B.C. 3rd May and Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) via Siberia	Empress of Canada	Thurs., Apr. 13, 5.30 p.m.
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Friday		
Tientsin	Tingsang	Fri., Apr. 14, 8.30 a.m.
Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and Air France Plane	Imperial Airways Plane	Fri., Apr. 14, 8.30 a.m.
France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"		
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	G.P.O.	Fri., Apr. 14, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Fri., Apr. 14, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and West Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 12th May	Corfu	Fri., Apr. 14, 5 p.m.
	G. P. O. and K. P. O.	Fri., Apr. 14, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Fri., Apr. 14, 5 p.m.
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Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, and U.S.A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco 21st April	Pan American Airways Plane	Fri., Apr. 14, 5.00 p.m.
	K.F.O.	Fri., Apr. 14, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.	Fri., Apr. 14, 5.00 p.m.
	G. P. O.	Fri., Apr. 14, 5.00 p.m.
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Saturday		
Haiphong	Chekiang	Sat., Apr. 15, 8.

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POLICE CLEAN UP SHAMSHUIPO "INSIDE JOBS"

ROBBERIES IN the Shamshui District dating back to December, 1937, were cleared up by the Police following the arrest of two persons on April 7.

Entrance to the buildings were effected by picking the locks or by skeleton keys, and the jobs were so cleverly done that when they were reported, Police thought they were inside jobs.

BANGKOK SENSATION

Italian Legation Man On Murder Charge

ROME, Apr. 10. THE ARREST of Dr. Ettore Grande, first secretary to the Italian Legation in Bangkok, on a charge of having murdered his wife, has created a sensation among diplomats here.

The arrested diplomat is the son of the well-known Italian University Professor, Stefano Grande at Turin. When on leave last year he married Signorina Vincenza Virando, daughter of a wealthy Turin family. Shortly after the wedding the young wife lost her life during a hunting trip, the Siamese authorities officially describing it as an accident. The bride's family was, however, suspicious and demanded a post-mortem examination, when the body arrived at Turin. The police doctor suggested crime, whereupon Dr. Grande was arrested in Rome. Trans-Ocean.

Queen Mary's 10th Play In 3 Weeks

Queen Mary was at the Garrick Theatre recently to see "The Mother," Karel Capek's last play. It was her tenth visit to the theatre in three weeks.

Earlier she visited the Savoy Theatre for the second evening performance of the Comedie Francaise company, and the evening before she had seen the Edgar Wallace play, "Number Six," at the Aldwych Theatre.

In her ten visits she has seen three thrillers, "Number Six," "Gas Light," and "They Walk Alone."

SPOKE TO LEADING LADY. Princess Alice Countess of Athlone and Lady Maud Carnegie were in Queen Mary's party.

On her arrival Queen Mary chatted with Miss Kathleen Robinson, an Australian, who is presenting the play, and during an interval spoke to Miss Louise Hampton, who plays the leading part.

Queen Mary, who is 71, thoroughly enjoys all her visits to the theatre. She joins warmly in the applause at the end of the performances.

Help Kidneys

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THE "TELEGRAPH" will send a Staff Photographer to all events of public interest. Requests should be addressed to the Pictorial Editor.

MOTORISTS IN COURT

A fine of \$5 was imposed on L. A. Soares when he was summoned at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for leaving his car unattended in Salisbury Road.

Lt. Comdr. D. G. Clarke, H.M.S. Tamar, was also fined \$5 when he pleaded guilty by letter to a similar offence.

A fine of \$10 was imposed on K. A. Munro at the Central Magistracy, when he was summoned for allowing his car, No. 4923, to cause an obstruction outside the Peak Church on March 23.

B. M. Bateman, of Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Co., and D. von Hansemann, residing at the Courtland Hotel, were each fined \$2 for parking their cars in Pedder Street.

PIRACIES NEAR H.K.

Five Men In Hospital From Two Vessels

AN ATTACK on a junk by a gang of men near Tsing I Island about 3 a.m. yesterday, resulted in the wounding of three members of the crew, who have been admitted to hospital.

The junk, No. 739V, was lying at anchor with four adults and four children on board, when a gang of about 15 men came alongside. The men boarded the junk, and four of them produced daggers. They attacked the adults, who were sleeping at the stern of the junk, and inflicted stab wounds on Leung Lin, 52, master of the vessel, Lee Kwai, 42, his wife, and Leung Mui, 22, his niece.

The robbers remained on the junk for an hour before decamping with \$120 and clothing belonging to the junk people. The three injured persons have been admitted to the Kowloon Hospital.

Fired On From Junk. Two foks of another cargo junk have been admitted to the Kowloon hospital following the piracy of their junk in Chinese waters.

In his report to the Police, Long Kwan-chung, 55, the master of cargo junk No. 72210H, states that he was carrying a general cargo valued at \$140, and was sailing near Mak Mun, Chinese Territory, about noon yesterday, when he was fired upon by a two-masted junk. Two of his foks were wounded. They were then boarded by the pirates, and the cargo transferred to the pirate vessel.

Piracy Off Black Point. A report has been made of a piracy in British waters off Black Point on Saturday.

According to Cheung Kian, 23, part owner of the junk No. 71360A, he left Castle Peak with a cargo of 307 tins of kerosene, a number of rolls of cloth, a quantity of fried fish and several dozens of batteries for Man King Sha in Chinese territory. When off Black Point, a small boat containing six men approached and forced the junk to heave-to.

The men, two of whom produced revolvers, and another two a Mauser pistol and a rifle respectively, subdued the crew of the junk, and forced them into the hold of their own vessel. The cargo junk was towed to Chinese waters by the pirates, and the crew were released three hours later. The cargo was all taken by the pirates.

Philippines Send Band

MANILA, P. I.

The Philippine Army band, 110 men and a band conductor, will represent the Philippine Commonwealth at the grand opening of the Golden Gate Exposition in San Francisco. The maestro, Lieut.-Col. Walter H. Lovins, predicted "our band will be second to none."

School Attendance

MELBOURNE.

Through a scheme originated by Lloyd's of London, Australian parents can now insure against loss of school fees and tuition when their children are absent as a result of illness. The plan has been installed here and at Sydney.

INDIAN TROOPS FIGHT, 15 MEN "PUNISHED"

RACIAL DIFFERENCES between Indian soldiers of the 8th Heavy Regiment, The Royal Artillery, led to fighting between a group of the men on Good Friday, the "Telegraph" learns from authoritative sources this morning.

In the course of the disturbance, one of the soldiers was stabbed in the arm.

Four men were placed under arrest and detained in the Guard Room.

Subsequently, eleven Indians who sympathized with those arrested volunteered for detention.

The fifteen men have since been suitably punished.

It is revealed that the Indian soldiers who were detained in the Guard Room at Mt. Davis Fort, following an affray between four men, went on a hunger strike as a protest.

The strike was subsequently abandoned.

IN THE COURTS

EX-EMPLOYER, SUED BY GIRL FOR ALLEGED ASSAULT, SAYS SHE—

"Claimed \$60,000 For Pioneering Work She Had Done For Me"

HEARING OF the action brought by Miss Molly Chan, of 24 Lockhart Road, against her former employer, Karel Weiss, manager of Rolny's, claiming \$1,000 as damages for assault, was continued before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell in the Summary Court this morning.

According to the statement of claim, defendant assaulted and beat plaintiff on November 23 last, ground floor, by striking her on the mouth, left cheek and last at 12 Des Voeux Road Central, bruising her lips and loosening one incisor, tooth, apart from rupturing her left eardrum and causing deafness in the left ear. The claim for damages included \$160 for medical and dental expenses.

Mr. P. Wynter-Blyth appeared for plaintiff and defendant was represented by Mr. D. McCallum.

Mr. McCallum testified to having examined plaintiff on November 21, 1938, and of finding bruises about the lips, which were swollen. One tooth was loosened and the left eardrum was ruptured.

"It required a pretty hard blow with an open hand" to cause the rupture, which could be serious, but when I last saw plaintiff about three or four weeks ago it had practically healed."

At Least Two Blows

The injuries, he found, were compatible with having been caused by at least two blows with an open hand.

Questioned by Mr. McCallum, Dr. Nicolson said that when plaintiff came to him she appeared somewhat agitated. The injuries were consistent with plaintiff having been slapped with her running into a clenched fist. Ho Sin-mui, dentist, told the Court of having pulled out one of plaintiff's teeth sometime in November last. Plaintiff's teeth were good generally, and the tooth which was pulled out had been, in his opinion, loosened by a blow with a fist.

Dentist's Average Charges

In answer to Mr. McCallum, witness said the bill came to \$150, and explained that he had to fix a false tooth with a gold cap. His average charge for pulling a tooth was between \$10 and \$20.

Mr. McCallum: I put it to you that you took average \$1 a tooth?—No, I put teeth out without pain; therefore my charge is higher.

Giving evidence, defendant said that plaintiff first worked for him in 1936 and left his employment on December 11, 1938.

He gave notice to plaintiff at the beginning of November last, but seven days later told her she could remain on condition that she behaved better.

Previously, plaintiff had been extremely nervous.

He also made her an offer for higher commission and salary, but she refused and instead demanded a lump sum of \$60,000 as compensation for pioneer work which she had done for him.

He refused to pay the money, and the following day plaintiff came back to the office in a state of nervousness and excitement—continually banging the table with a paper-weight while he was talking with a friend.

He told her to keep quiet and she replied by abusing him.

A High Voice

In the afternoon when he went back to the office, plaintiff spoke to him in a high voice and they exchanged a few words. He told her to keep quiet, otherwise he would communicate with the Police. Plaintiff became more angry as a result, and when he picked up the telephone to communicate with the

EASTER OFFERINGS STOLEN FROM ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL CRYPT

THE ENTIRE Easter offerings at St. John's Cathedral have been stolen in one of the most mysterious thefts on record.

The money was stolen from a safe in the crypt of the Cathedral. It was placed in the safe on the evening of Easter Sunday, and was not missed until late yesterday afternoon.

The thief or thieves apparently used a duplicate key to open the safe, as there are no signs that it was forced.

Police tested the safe for finger prints this morning, but there were none. "There is absolutely no clue," an official admitted to the "Telegraph" this afternoon.

The total amount stolen exceeded \$600 and included notes and coins.

N. Zealand Doctor Murdered

CANTON, Apr. 8.

DR. O. L. EATON, of the New Zealand Presbyterian Mission at Kong Chuen, seven miles north of Canton on the Canton-Hankow Railway, was shot dead by robbers last night.

The robbers broke into the mission to loot the refugee centre, where the inmates were not destitute but were in the centre for protection.

The funeral of the late Dr. Eaton will take place to-morrow.

A poignant feature of the sad incident was the fact that Dr. Eaton was married only last December. Our Own Correspondent.

Well-Known Figure

Doctor O. L. Eaton, was from Christchurch, New Zealand, and 33 years old. He was with the Presbyterian Mission at Kong Chuen. Three Chinese nurses gave blood for a blood transfusion in a vain attempt to save the missionary.

A Japanese guard, about 200 yards from the mission, was totally unaware of the incident until informed, although more than 20 shots were fired by the bandits.

The body is being brought to Canton for burial to-morrow.

The deceased was well known in South China and had been married only last Christmas.—Reuter.

TIENSIN MURDER

Tientsin, Apr. 10.

Chen Lich-shih, local Director of the Tientsin Reserve Bank, was shot dead last night at a cinema which was showing "Gunga Din."

A Swiss engineer, Mr. Charles Glauser, was also shot dead as the assailant fired wildly at a Tartar named Mansourov, who grappled with him. Mansourov was sent to hospital and his condition is serious.

Reuter.

Dumet adds that the murdered man, Chen, was Manager of the Tientsin branch of the Federal Reserve Bank and superintendent of the Maritime Customs at Tientsin. The incident occurred in the Grand Theatre in the British Concession.

United Press adds that owing to the constant gunfire in the film "Gunga Din," most of the audience did not realise the shooting tragedy, had occurred until the assassin had escaped.

Newly Appointed

Tientsin, Apr. 10.

It has been revealed that Chen Lich-shih, who was assassinated today was the newly appointed Superintendent of the Chinese Customs.—United Press.

Pistol Hold-Up In N. Territories

SIX MEN, four armed with revolvers and one with a Mauser pistol, robbed Cheung Ki-lap, a farmer, and his wife of \$54 in money and property, early yesterday morning at Lokmachau, New Territories.

The robbers forced Cheung to hand over his keys, with which they opened a trunk and stole the money and property.

When they left, they forced Cheung and his wife to accompany them, releasing their victims after they had been made to walk some distance from their home.

New Fighter For R.A.F.

Details have recently appeared in a French aviation journal of a new type of twin-engine fighter now being developed for the R.A.F. and said to have a maximum speed of about 435 m.p.h.

No official details have been disclosed and it is not clear whether it is intended to be an interceptor or pursuit machine.

There is, however, reason to think that the Air Ministry is becoming increasingly interested in long-range multi-engine fighters.

Single-engine interceptor fighters, such as the Hurricane and the Spitfire, are designed to engage enemy bombers, which may be flying at considerable heights, before they can reach their objectives.

Consequently the interceptor must have a very high climbing rate. This limits both the fuel and the ammunition it can carry.

MORE PETROL CARRIED

The larger multi-engine fighter, intended for pursuit over long distances of bombers returning from raids, need not have such a rapid climbing rate, and can carry much more petrol and ammunition.

It was reported recently that an American Seversky 2 P.A.-L. convoy or pursuit fighter had been demonstrated at the R.A.F. Experimental Establishment at Martlesham Heath, Suffolk. A range of 3,000 miles and a maximum speed of 300 m.p.h. is claimed for this aeroplane, which can be fitted with either four or eight machine-guns firing forwards.

The French Air Force has been supplied with the Potez 63, which can be used as a twin-engine fighter and, when so adapted, is equipped with two 20mm forward firing cannons and one movable machine-gun in the gunner's cockpit. Its maximum speed is 285.6 m.p.h., but its range, 620 miles, seems rather inadequate.

REARMING BLENHEIMS

It is understood that the British Blenheim is now officially regarded not merely as a bomber but as a general purpose aircraft, also capable of use for reconnaissance or fighting.

If used as fighters, the older types of Blenheims would require rearming, as they carried only one forward firing machine-gun in the port wing and one machine-gun in the aft turret.

The latest type of "long-nosed" Blenheim has a range of 1,000 miles and a maximum speed of 295 m.p.h. Details of the armament to be fitted to this machine have not been revealed.

Hammer In Family 100 Years

Beardstown, Ill.

A 100-year-old hammer, brought to this country from Denmark, is prized by Cyrus Christensen, Beardstown, whose father brought it to the United States when he left Denmark to avoid army service.



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Democracy and Religion

DEMOCRACY, assailed from within and without, is taking stock. In the process, those who believe it to be the finest form of government yet developed are discovering how essential a good God is to good government.

As the nature of democracy and of the attack on it become more apparent, the vital role of religion will be perceived. Ideally, democracy accepts man as spiritual, made in the image and likeness of God, capable of understanding the divine government well enough to be self-governed. It expects men to reflect in some measure the divine attributes of justice, reason, kindness, liberty, truthfulness, self-control. In so far as men fail to express these spiritual qualities, democracy falls.

Majority rule, the representative system, universal suffrage, free elections, free competition, equal rights, economic equality, constitutional forms—none of these will guarantee the success of democracy if the spiritual content is lacking. Any of these may be made instruments of tyranny unless the basic ideal of individual worth, independence, freedom, and perfectibility is retained.

Materialistic concepts have always attacked this ideal. To-day two forms of materialism are particularly active. One looks upon man as merely an economic animal. A faulty Marxist interpretation of history is partly to blame for this attitude.

Now a fairer and better society should come out of an increased awareness of the way government has been abused for economic exploitation. And a happier and more stable society can be expected where men are free from economic injustices and insecurity. But too often to-day there is an ignorant and excessive emphasis on material and mechanistic motives. It teaches worker and employer, farm and factory, producer and consumer, to pursue a selfish separate interest when the larger interest of each is attainable only by co-operation. It tends to animality, hate and violence. It destroys democracy.

Another form of materialism's attack on democracy is extreme racism, a belief that man is merely a biological specimen, whose virtue, courage and honesty are determined by blood and soil. This combines with Fascism's mystical exaltation of the state to make the individual merely a material unit to be merged in a militarized mass for overcoming other races or states. Freedom of thought or speech cannot be tolerated in such totalitarianism. Worship of the state or of an individual symbolizing the state is substituted for Christianity. Persecution, intolerance, and hate become virtues.

Democratic peoples may recognize these forms of materialism most clearly in certain countries or ideologies. But they can find them operating among their own countrymen—if not in their own thought. And it is primarily in thought that they must be combated. It is historically provable that more spiritual concepts of deity have produced better men and better governments. Men governed by Christianity's code, men striving to express the attributes of a God who is Truth, Love and Principle, can hope to govern themselves successfully.

ITALIAN AMBITIONS IN ALBANIA

MUSSOLINI'S ambitions for a Mediterranean empire have long caused uneasiness in this tiny kingdom across the Adriatic, journalistically neglected and generally ignored in the clamour of greater events.

Officially, of course, there was no evidences of foreboding. Albania was recognized as an entity, firmly linked to Italy by a treaty which does not expire until 1947.

An even temper marked the country's five newspapers which are firmly controlled by a government that resolved, in the last analysis, down to King Zog himself. But one had only to converse with certain officials, both active and retired, as well as informed private citizens, to find ample evidence of nervousness.

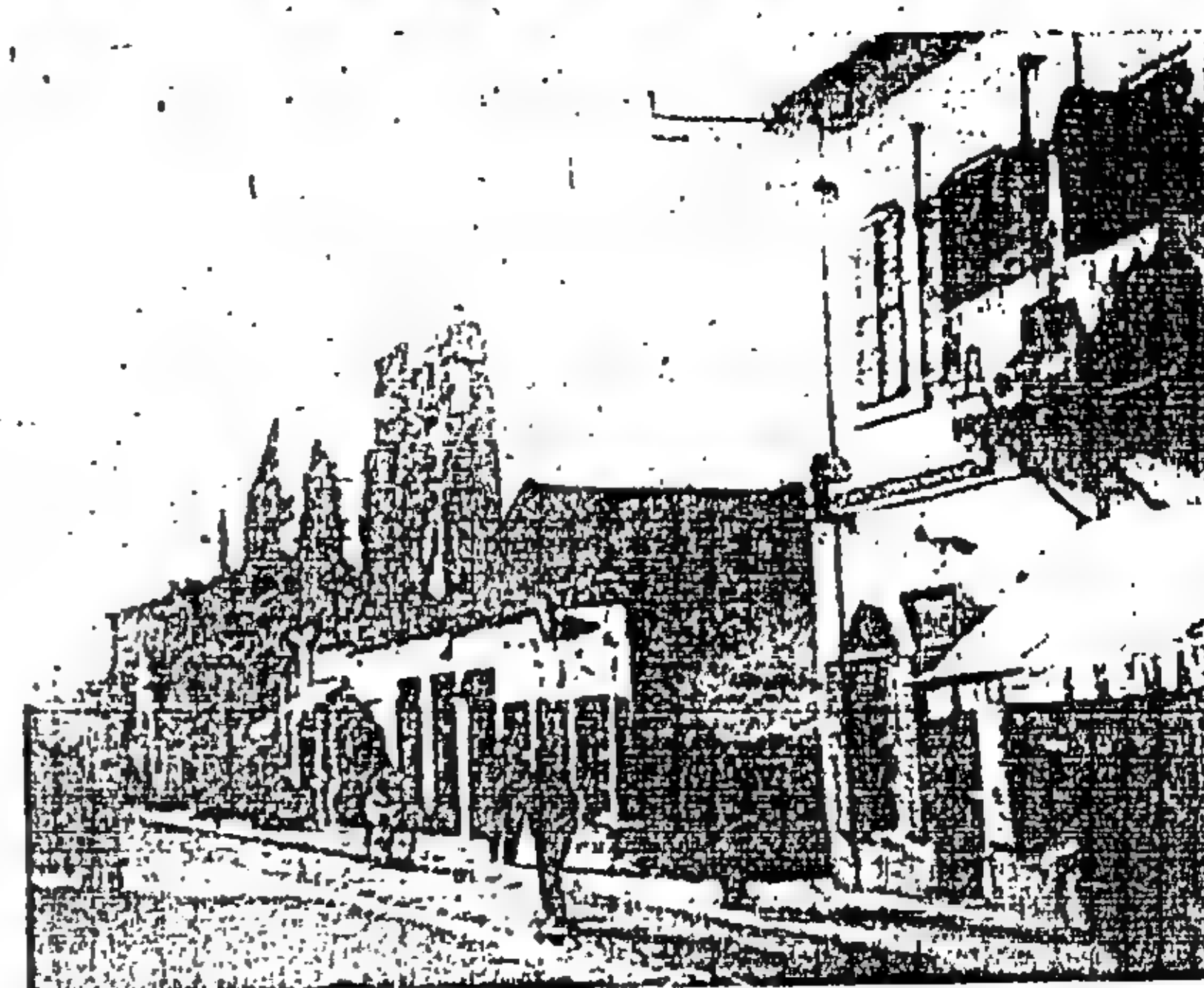
CERTAINLY there had been no indication of Italy's intentions to increase its political ascendancy by actual territorial occupation until last week. What bothered the Jeremiahs of Albania was the recent sequence of Mediterranean events and the fact that the secret London treaty of 1915 has not yet been forgotten by fascist imperialists. There was the vague fear, now proved too well founded, that the Duce would no longer remain satisfied with the extensive economic and political influence he attained.

Boiled down, the events preceding the occupation were simply this: Italy made a great fuss about expanding, at the expense of France, along the lines of ancient Rome. Despite the undoubted prestige accompanying the fascist victory in Spain, she was able to produce no concrete territorial gains. Italian public opinion was aware of this. It could be assuaged, from time to time, by such fanfare as Count Ciano's visit to Belgrade and it may have been completely satisfied by gains accruing from the Spanish enterprise. But the Albanians knew that theirs was a small and friendless nation; that it lies a scant fifty miles across the Otranto straits; that Rome has looked greedily East even since the Turkish empire decayed; and that choice and strategic sections of its coast would be gobbled up with great speed, small cost and little fear of precipitating a European crisis.

THE possibility of an Italian expedition hung as a sword of Damocles in many patriotic minds in Albania. Diplomatically, Albania was in a weak position. For many years after its *de jure* creation in the post-war treaties, it could always count upon the opposing interests of Italy and Jugo-Slavia to safeguard its independence. Both powers made it clear that territorial aspirations in Albania by each other would be regarded as inimical acts. However, the binding of a new friendship between Rome and Belgrade altered the situation. Fundamentally, Jugo-Slavia can never willingly agree to the Italian occupation of the mainland of the Balkan peninsula. But Albania could no longer play both ends against the middle. And, when Italy—with German approval—resolved to swallow a chunk of the Albanian coast, Jugo-Slavia could not—dare not—interfere.

THE London treaty gave to Italy full sovereignty over the island of Saseno, the port of Valona, and "a territory sufficiently extended to assure the defence of these points." It was also agreed that if an independent Albania were to be created, it would remain under Italian control.

In actual fact, the bulk of these particular concessions of



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1915 had been accorded. Italian cord to this poverty-stricken land. It is equally true that Rome held such sway that when Mussolini decided to land his troops, no deputy dared to oppose him that King Zog was doomed.

It is apparent that in its political activity Italy played an astute game. A powerful and rabble-rousing Italian speaker named Giro was employed by the Albanian government, at Italian behest, to "organize" the youth. Unofficially, it is widely known that Giro, one of the original Fascist "Squadron of Action" and an acquaintance of Mussolini, was ardently anti-Zog. Although he undoubtedly did his sincere best to aid the stimulant Albania's younger generation (despite the fact he speaks only Italian) he had a recognised political value in keeping the regime on tenterhooks.

The diplomatic interest of Italy in Albanian territory dates back to the days when Bismarck proposed to Rome that she abandoned her claims in the *terre irredente* and seek compensation across the Adriatic. In 1917, General Ferrero, leading an army of occupation, told the Albanians: "We are bringing back to you the civilisation of the Romans and the Venetians." In 1926, the Pact of Tirana signalled Italian aspirations for a sphere of influence (and, incidentally, caused the fall of a Jugo-Slav cabinet).

IT would have seemed with this many-tentacled control over a tiny nation that it would never be necessary for Italy to occupy a portion of it. But it was recognised that, in the event of a European war threatening, an occupation would result immediately. During the September, 1938, crisis much concern was raised about secret but authoritative reports that Italian troops had mobilised at Bari. Just four years before, Albania prepared to beat off what it feared was to be an Italian attempt to occupy Durazzo when war vessels appeared unannounced at the harbour; hasty defensive earthworks were actually thrown up.

What Italy will gain by actual control of Albania will depend upon the extent of her ambition now that she has occupied the country. Her action. (1) insures her strategic position in the Adriatic; (2) serves as a base for possible further Balkan penetration; (3) provides a certain amount of good farm land for her over-crowded peasantry; (4) acquires popular acclaim for the Fascist regime.

Within Albania there is not the mineral wealth that is to be found, for example, in Jugo-Slavia, but there are deposits of asphalt and naphtha near Valona; lignite around Tirana, Elbasan, Korce, Pogradetz and Tepeleni; copper near Puka and Korce; chromium near Pogradetz; lead in the northern districts; arsenic and cement near Scutari and Valona; and petroleum at Kuchova. Most of these are too far removed inland to tempt more than economic exploitation.

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YOUNG ARMY PLAYERS ACQUIT THEMSELVES WELL

INTERESTING KOTEWALL CUP SOCCER MATCH

SOUTH CHINA WIN BY ODD GOAL IN THREE

The Army's younger players, who were given their first taste of representative football in Hong-kong, acquitted themselves with credit yesterday in the second match of the Kotewall Charity Cup, though they could not prevent the South China A.A. from winning the encounter by the odd goal in three.

Still the Army men played well enough to earn a draw, and it was unfortunate for them that the final whistle blew just when they looked as if they would get on level terms. With so many young players taking part in the match, it was only to be expected that the exchanges were ways of a scientific nature, what was lacking in the finer points was made up for by the enthusiasm displayed by the participants.

Several changes were made in the Chinese team, many of the originally selected men being unable to take part. Amongst them were Lee Wai-out, Lau Hing-chai, Lee Kwok-wai, Mok Shu-hon and Pui Ka-ping, and in their places were Chan Tak-fai, Tse Kam-hung, Kwok Ying-kee, Lau Mau and Cheung Wing-choi.

GOOD HALF BACKS

As the whole line was made up of junior players, the Army half-backs were watched with keen interest and came off the ordeal very well indeed. While they did not combine as effectively with the forwards as well as did the Chinese intermediates, in defence little fault could be found with them. They tackled quickly and resolutely and prevented the Chinese forwards from being dangerous on several occasions when nice movements were initiated. Shaw, in the pivotal position, did not have an enviable task against the speedy Chan Tak-fai, but remained very steady throughout and not allowing himself to be flustered by the close inter-passing of the Chinese inside forwards. His two wing-halves, Rides and Guy, gave him good support.

But the Army man who caught the eye was Duncan, in goal. Making many daring saves, sometimes right off the feet of the opposing forwards, he was dashing in and out of his change, timing his movements to a nicety. But for his display, the Chinese might have scored more than the two goals which they actually did.

The two backs, Fraser and Sheehan, did not give the Chinese much rest, their first-time kicking being a feature of their play. Up forward, the form shown was variable. At times, the forwards played extremely well together; at others, some of the movements were spoiled by poor understanding and positioning. The finishing, too, was none too good.

EARLY PENALTY

The game started off in queer fashion, a penalty being awarded to the Army for hands against Lau Mau. Taking the kick, Shaw easily beat Cheung Wing-choi to

give the soldiers an early lead. Then the Chinese took a hand in the attack, and only resolute defence prevented them from equalising. Nevertheless they kept up the pressure and were finally rewarded when Lau Shiu-wing shot into an empty goal after Duncan had saved an almost point-blank shot from Chan Tak-fai.

This goal seemed to revitalise the Army attack and Calvert had had luck with a splendid shot, taken on the turn, which just skimmed the bar. More bad luck was in store for the Army. Duffield gained possession and scored, but meanwhile Calvert had run into an offside position and the point was disallowed.

In another breakaway, Chan Tak-fai gave the Chinese the lead, getting past two defenders before beating Duncan.

Towards the end of the game, the soldiers tried hard to get the equaliser. They were playing good football, but the Chinese defence held out right to the final whistle which was blown with Calvert in possession and seemed likely to score.

Teams.—South China.—Cheung Wing-choi; Lee Pin-sang; Lau Mau; Kwok Ying-kee; Leung Wing-chiu; Tse Kam-hung; Tang Kwong-sum; Fung King-cheung; Chan Tak-fai; Lai Shiu-wing and Lau Tau-man.

Army.—Duncan (R. Scot); Fraser (R. Scot); Sheehan (Middlesex); Rides (R.A.O.C.); Shaw (R.E.); Guy (R.A.); Emberson (R.A.O.C.); Courtney (Middlesex); Calvert (R.A.); Saw (Middlesex) and Duffield (R.A.O.C.).

Dorothy Round Returns To Lawn Tennis

London, March 16. Mrs. D. L. Little, who as Dorothy Round twice held the Wimbledon singles title, is to return to competitive lawn tennis. She will play in the Hertford Harrow tournament in a fortnight.

It will be her first competition since the birth of her son, who is now nearly nine months old. Dr. Little said "Whether she will depend on how well she plays in her earlier tournaments. If she can find her old form I expect she will enter all the tournaments as in previous years."

Everton Almost Certain to Win Championship

BEAT SUNDERLAND IN HOME GAME: EASTER MONDAY SOCCER TIES

London, Apr. 10. Everton made almost certain of the championship in the First Division of the English Football League to-day by defeating Sunderland by six goals to two. Though the Wolves, their nearest rivals, also won, Everton now need only three more points from their remaining four matches to be absolutely sure of clinching the championship.

Derby County's downward slide continued to-day when they were defeated at home by Portsmouth, the F. A. Cup finalists.

In the Second Division, Blackburn Rovers also consolidated their position at the top with a home victory over Fulham by the odd goal in three, and, like Everton, are now almost certain of winning the championship. The following were the results of matches played:

FIRST DIVISION			
Arsenal	2	Blackpool	1
Birmingham	0	Liverpool	0
Chelsea	1	Charlton	3
Derby	0	Portsmouth	1
Everton	6	Sunderland	2
Leeds	3	Manchester U.	1
Middlesbro'	3	Leicester	0
Preston N.E.	2	Brentford	0
Stoke	4	Bolton	1
Wolves	2	Aston Villa	1

SECOND DIVISION			
Blackburn	2	Fulham	1
Manchester C.	0	Bury	0
Norwich	1	Coventry	1
Plymouth	0	Tottenham	1
Wednesday	3	Millwall	1
Southampton	0	Luton	1
Swansea	1	Tranmere	0
West Brom.	0	Notts Forest	0

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)			
Bournemouth	2	Brighton	0
Bristol C.	1	Crystal Pal.	1
Cardiff	1	Southend	0
Exeter	2	Clapton O.	1
Ipswich	1	Queen's P. R.	0
Notts C.	4	Port Vale	0
Northampton	0	Swindon	0
Reading	0	Manfield	1
Torquay	1	Newport	0
Walsall	2	Bristol R.	1
Watford	1	Aldershot	1

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)			
Accrington	0	Doncaster	
Barnsley	0	Stockport	
Barrow	0	Chester	
Gateshead	2	Hartlepool	
Hull	1	Hull	
Oldham	1	Lincoln	
Rochdale	5	Crewe	
Rotherham	1	Southport	
Wrexham	3	Darlington	
York	4	Carlisle	
Bradford C.	3	New Brighton	

SCOTTISH LEAGUE			
Clyde	4	Third Lanark	1
Queen's Park	1	Celtic	2

—Reuter

IRISH LEAGUE

London, Apr. 10

The following are the results

of matches played in the Irish League

to-day:

Ballymena	5	Nevry	1
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Bangor	0	Portlaoine	0
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Belfast	2	Glenavon	0
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Cliftonville	4	Coleraine	2
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Derry	4	Larne	1
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Dundilly	1	Liffield	1
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Glenavon	3	Ards	1
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Sydney Preparing For M.C.C.

Covered Stands Being Erected

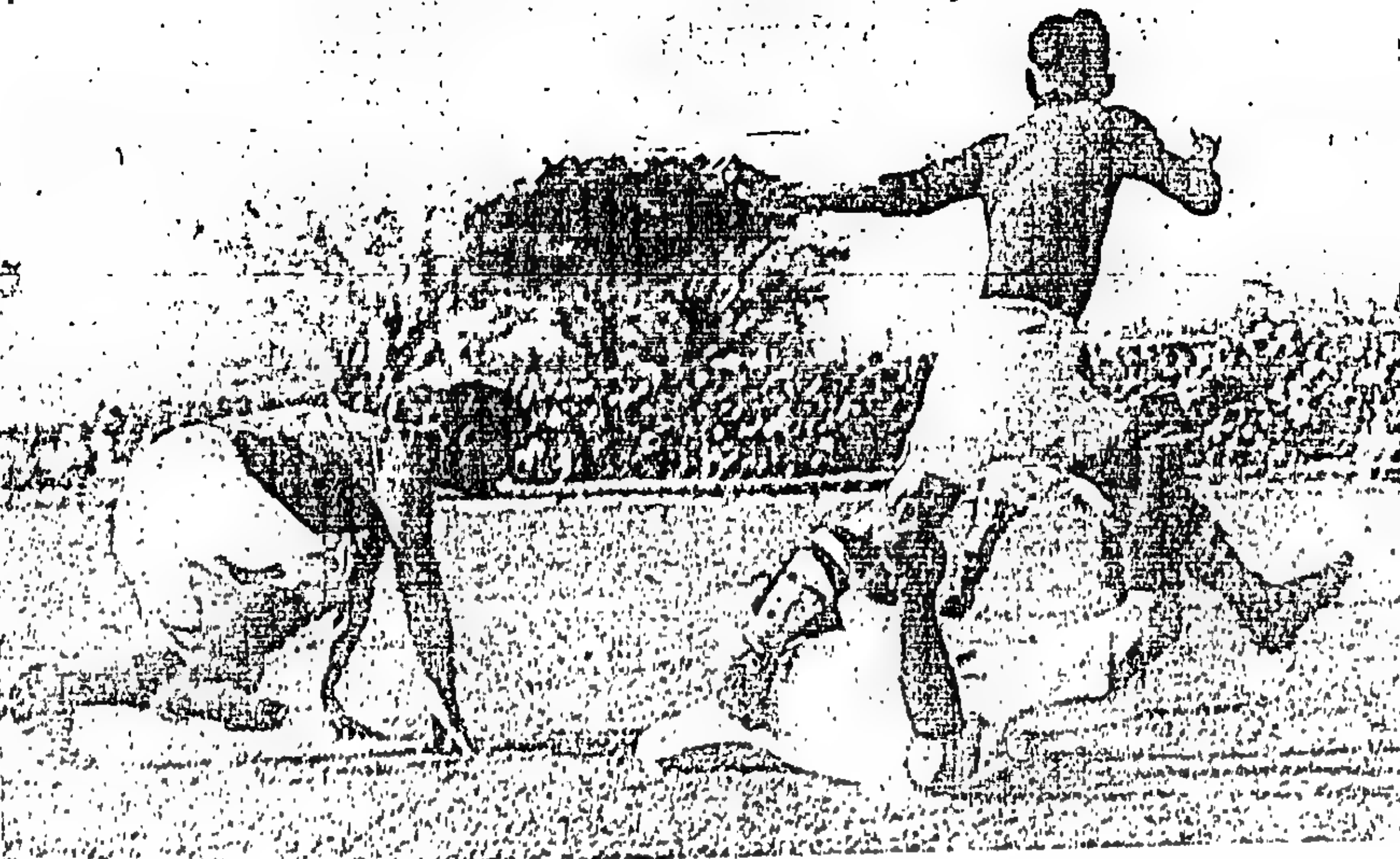
London, Apr. 2. There will be some changes in the appearance of the famous Sydney cricket ground when the M.C.C. team visits Sydney next year. Plans are now being prepared for the erection of a covered stand, 400 feet long and eighty feet wide, on "The Hill". The proposed stand will replace the existing shilling stand on the hill, but it will not interfere with the grassy slope, regarded as the real "Hill" and sacred to Sydney cricketers.

With this addition and the members' new 500,000 stand, the trustees of the ground expect to be able to provide accommodation for all who want to see the English team in action next year.—Reuter.

AUSTIN OUT FOR TENNIS TITLES

Dates Of Tournaments Make Things Difficult

London, Mar. 30. Keen followers of the game in England are becoming more and more of the opinion that there really ought to be some get-together on international lawn tennis fixtures. Bunny Austin, when asked if he meant to play in the French Championships this year replied: "Why yes?" It was then pointed out that the French Championships end just one week before Wimbledon begins, and he looked a little shaken. There is no doubt Austin has set his heart on having a real go for both the French and British championships this year, and in a field which has gone somewhat thin on top, it is not positively bald, he has almost a favourite's chance. Austin usually does very well at the Stade Roland, Paris, but sleeping straight on to Wimbledon (turf from a hard court different from any in England is enough to upset any player.—Reuter.



This was one of the many daring saves made by Duncan, the Army goal-keeper, in the Kotewall Charity Football Cup match between the South China A.A. and the Army at Causeway Bay yesterday. Here Duncan has robbed Chan Tak-fai, the Chinese centre-forward, of the ball.—Staff Photographer.

S. AFRICAN RUGGERITES DEFEATED

Berlin, Apr. 10. The South African Rugby team, which is touring Europe, played its first match on German soil to-day in Hanover against a team from Lower Saxony.

Displaying excellent team-work, the Germans defeated the South Africans by 8-3.

At the end of the first half, the score was 3-0 in favour of the South Africans.

From Hanover, the visitors will go to South Germany, playing at Frankfurt, Stuttgart and other places.—Trans-Ocean.

Rugger Matches At Home

London, Apr. 10. The following were the results of country to-day:

Aberavon	18	Devonport	6
Bath	3	O.M.T.	11
Bridgend	9	C.O.M.T.	7
Bristol	9	Northampton	0
Cardiff	9	Harlequins	0
Gloucester	6	Sal	0
Manchester	13	North of Ireland	0
Neath	25	Nuneaton	11
Newport	11	London Welsh	1
Plymouth	3	Leicester	10
Swansea	12	Barbarians	3
Waterloo	16	Birkenhead	0
Llanelli	22	Dolphin	4
Pontypool	18	English Combined	6
Weston-Super-Mare	3	Moseley	20

Famous Club May Retire From League

London, Mar. 16. Yeovil and Petters, Southern League and famous Cup fighters who drew with Sheffield Wednesday in the F.A. Cup this season, may be forced to retire from professional soccer.

Mr. Stanley Gates, chairman, stated that unless there is a substantial increase in the League gate the club must withdraw from the Southern League and revert to amateur status.

"If Yeovil is forced to revert to resign from the Southern League it will be very difficult to get back again," he said.

Receipts from League games since Yeovil were knocked out of the Cup are lower than they were four seasons ago, when a public appeal was made to save the club from extinction.

Army Association Football Cup

London, Apr. 10. At Aldershot the Ninth Field Regiment, Royal Artillery, won the Army Association Football Cup to-day, beating the 2nd Battalion, Durham Light Infantry in the final.—Reuter.

Army Boxing BROTHERS AGAIN WINNERS

London, Mar. 4. Last night's Army and Territorial championships, at the Royal Albert Hall, provided two more triumphs for the fighting Murdochs, writes Orion.

Both these officer brothers from the Federated Malay States—they are nephews of a former A.B.A. champion—retained their titles.

The elder brother, 2nd Lieut. F. H. Murdoch (4th Royal Tank Corps), disposed of 2nd Lieut. J. D. L. Buis (1st I.L.L.) in one punch—a right to the head—to win the middle-weight championship again.

In the welter-weight final, however, 2nd Lieut. B. Murdoch (2nd Lines) was given a hard fight by 2nd Lieut. J. F. White (2nd Royal Warwick).

As is usual when soldiers get into action, knockdowns were frequent, but Pte. W. Routledge (9th Middlesex) must have thought he was receiving more than his fair share of them.

PLUCKY LOSER

Opposed by the veteran Pte. Tom Worlton, in the fly-weight final, Routledge took no fewer than seven counts in the first round, yet he refused to quit.

In fact, the Londoner stayed the whole three rounds and well deserved the ovation accorded him as the most gallant loser of the evening. It afterwards transpired that Routledge remembered nothing of the last two rounds against Worlton.

A record that is never likely to be surpassed was put up by the giant Lieut. A. R. V. Luke, R.A., who carried off his Territorial Officers' heavy-weight title for the seventh consecutive year.

Pte. George Spears (Dorset Regt.), taking part in his last Army championship before returning to civilian life, gave his usual vigorous display and again carried off the Other Ranks welter-weight title.

Spears' opponent, Cpl. Edwards (2nd King's Regt.), put up a good show before being outpointed, but was never allowed to make proper use of his superior reach.

RESULTS

ARMY OFFICERS
Lightweight—2nd Lieut. A. B. van Someren (R.A.) bt. Lieut. P. Rogers (1st Royal Regt.).
Light-heavyweight—Lieut. J. C. F. McCarthy-Morrogh (R.E.) bt. Capt. J. M. Calvert (R.E.).
Welterweight—2nd Lieut. B. Murdoch (2nd Lincoln) (holder) bt. 2nd Lieut. J. F. White (2nd Royal Warwick).
Middleweight—2nd Lieut. F. H. Murdoch (4th Royal Tank Corps) (holder) bt. 2nd Lieut. J. D. L. Buis (1st I.L.L.) in first round.

ARMY OTHER RANKS
Flyweight—L. Cpl. Gohorne (R.A.S.C.) bt. Pte. Lovelace (90th Lancers) in first round.

Bantam-weight—L. Sgt. Pratchett (R.A.) bt. Sgt. W. H. Fisher (R.A.S.C.).
Featherweight—Sgt. Inst. G. Reynolds (A.P.T.B.) bt. Sgt. J. H. White (R.A.S.C.).

Lightweight—Cpl. B. Kirkbright (2nd Wiltshire) bt. Pte. R. Blake (2nd Buffs).
Middleweight—Cpl. G. Brown (R.A.S.C.) bt. Pte. C. Canavan (2nd I.L.L.).
Heavyweight—Gdman. F. Griffiths (R.A.S.C.) bt. Trooper C. F. Griffiths (R.A.S.C.).

Welterweight—2nd Lieut. H. P. Holm (Tower Hamlets) holder bt. Lieut. J. Childecott (61st Queen's Royal Regt.).
Middleweight—2nd Lieut. J. Donkin (4th Green Howards) bt. Lt. D. Paddy (2nd Medium Regt., R.A.), stopped in third round.
Light-heavyweight—2nd Lieut. F. J. Edgell (20th A.A. Regt., R.E.) bt. 2nd Lieut. A. R. V. Luke (4th Lincoln) in first round.
Heavyweight—Lieut. A. R. V. Luke (4th A.A. Regt., R.A.) (holder) bt. 2nd

Racing Favourite Defeated At Kempton

London, Apr. 10. At Kempton to-day, the present Derby favourite, Foxbrough II, starting favourite at 6/4, was unplaced in the Coventry Three-year-old Stakes over one mile.

The result of the race was:
100/8 Southport
5/2 Rogerstone Castle
25/1 Lemanoue

Rogerstone Castle has been entered for the Derby.

Sixteen ran in the race. Two lengths separated first and second, and a short head second and third. This was Foxbrough's first defeat.—Reuter.

A. J. HOLMES WILL AGAIN CAPTAIN SUSSEX

London, Apr. 2. The prospects of the Sussex County Cricket Club are distinctly promising, but the bowling will have to improve. This was the keynote of the report of the committee presented to the annual meeting in Brighton.

Mr. A. Miller-Hallett, re-elected President for the third successive year, stressed the importance of increased support by the public, especially in this, the centenary year. Mr. W. N. Riley, a member of the election committee, said that the bowling was pretty good, but in his opinion might be improved. He considered John Langridge was an England "number one" and he hoped the authorities would give him a chance.

Mr. A. J. Holmes will again captain the team this year and it is hoped that Mr. H. T. Bartlett will again be available.—Reuter.

BRILLIANT GOLF BY A. D. LOCKE

Durban, Apr. 10. A. D. Locke, the young South African golfer, won the South African Open Golf Championship with a record aggregate of 279 for 72 holes, finishing in a record round of 67. His four rounds were 69, 69, 74 and 67.—Reuter.

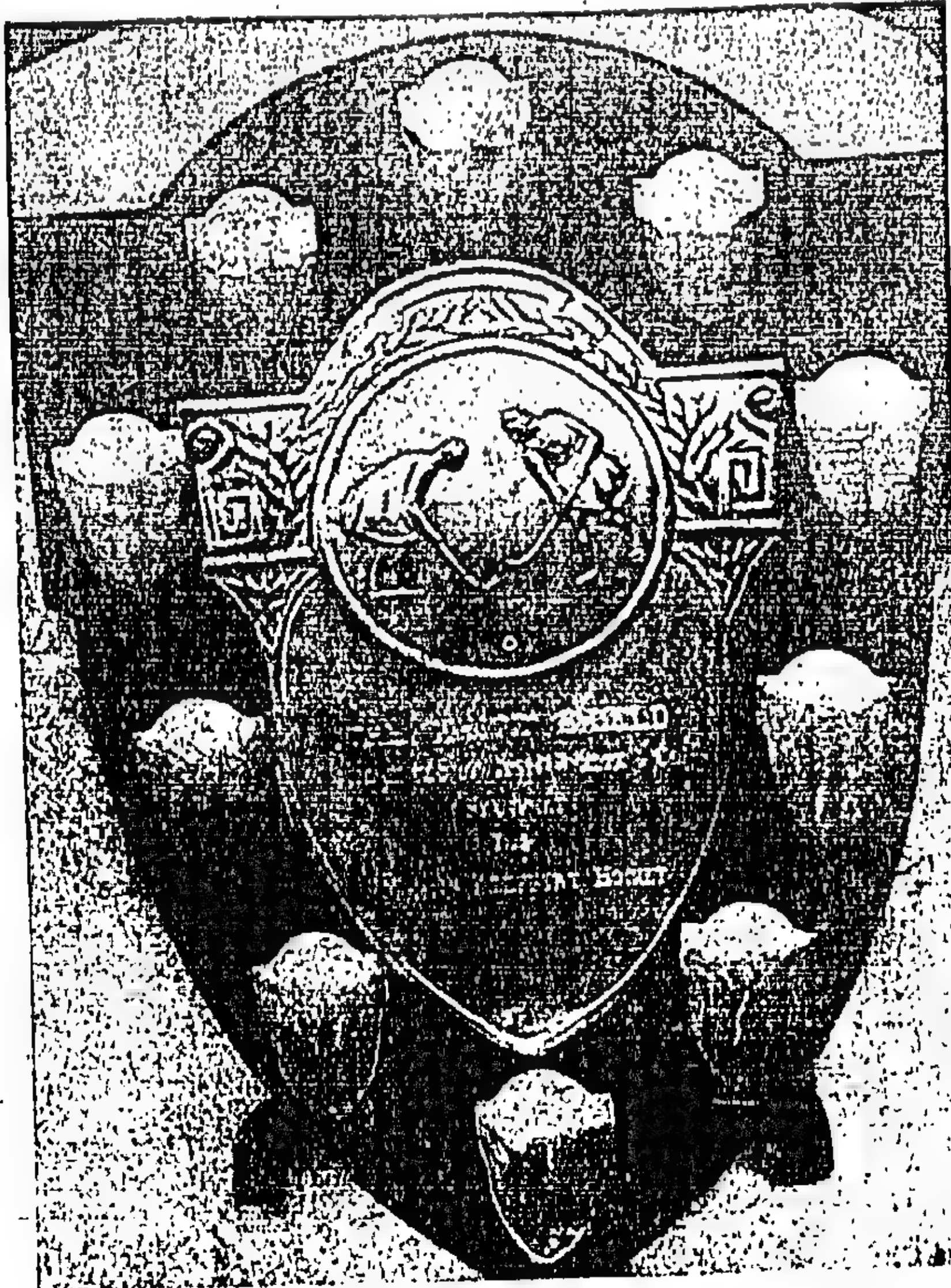
Lieut. J. Wilson (Liverpool Scottish).
FLY-WEIGHT—Pte. E. Worlton (50th A.T. Regt., R.A.) (holder) beat Pte. W. Routledge (9th Middlesex).
BANTAM-WEIGHT—Gunner E. Cronk (1st Field Brigade, R.A.) beat Rignallman F. Graham (1st Divisional Signal).
FEATHER-WEIGHT—L. Cpl. W. Wignell (9th Middlesex) (holder) beat Sgt. W. Lewis (4th Div., R.A.S.C.).
LIGHT-WEIGHT—Lt. Hon. R. V. Parkinson (1st Field R.A.) (holder) beat Pte. J. McLoughlin (10th R.T.C.).
MIDDLE-WEIGHT—Pte. J. Cowley (40th A.T.C.) beat Gunner A. Anderson (10th Field R.A.).
HEAVY-WEIGHT—Gunner H. Elliott (1st Field R.A.) beat Pte. A. Galt (10th Middlesex) (holder).
WELTER-WEIGHT—Cpl. J. Westerton (9th Middlesex) (holder) beat Pte. J. McLoughlin (10th H.L.L.).

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NANCY



WOLVES ARE MIRACLE CLUB OF FOOTBALL

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No club has ever shown such capacity for producing players, and the marvellous thing about it is that the supply seems unending. Their transfers have been without parallel in the history of the game, yet their team is maintained at such strength that they were second in the League last year, now are rampant, and still can bring ahead youngsters, like Mullen, to fill the gaps.
It's no fairy story. The Wolves' balance-sheet tells the facts. Between May, 1935, and May 1938, they transferred players to these values:
1935-6 £24,000
1936-7 £20,670
1937-8 £18,475
£69,753

Since May, 1938, they have transferred Bryn Jones to Arsenal (£14,000), Thompson, his supposed successor, to Sunderland (£6,000), Barlow to Portsmouth (£5,000), plus Kirkham and another player to Bournemouth.
So the total for under four years is, as near as matters, six figures.

SOCCER FACTORY

Over 60 players have poured out of the Wolves' football factory in this time, and it is not a case of buying and selling, as they produce—distinct from purchasing—to supply their own team-needs.

Well-known players, too. Men like Phillips and Iverson (to Aston Villa), Rhodes (Sheffield Wednesday), Richards (Brentford and Ashall (Middlesbrough), Brown and Ashall (Coventry City), etc., etc., in addition to those already named. Ten of them have had honours in international, Inter-League, or international trial games.

A hundred thousand pounds from transfers in four years, and now going strong for The Double—it's a football miracle.

VANDERBILT BUILDS NEW YACHT

Sailing In British Regattas

Mr. Harold S. Vanderbilt, the famous helmsman in the United States, three-time winner of the America's Cup, is to race his new twelve-metre yacht in the British Royal Regattas next season. The new yacht has been designed by Sparkman and Stephens, who were responsible for the lines of the "J" class Ranger, easily the fastest yacht of her class ever built. A series of models of the new "twelve" were given the most exhaustive tank tests before the final model was chosen from which the new Vanderbilt racer will be built.

The record time of two months has been allowed for the building and finishing of the new American "twelve," as Mr. Vanderbilt insists that she must be delivered early in April, so that he can sail intensive tuning-up trials before shipping her to England in the middle of May. The yacht will be 70 ft. L.O.A., 45 ft. L.W.L., beam 11 ft. 10 in., 9 ft. 6 in. draught, with a lead keel weighing 35,000 lb.

British yachtsmen are building a fleet of four international twelve-metre racing yachts to meet Mr. Vanderbilt's challenge.
Two of these yachts are being built in English and two in Scottish yards. Mr. T. O. M. Sopwith and Mr. Arthur Connell are having their new racers built at Gosport, while Sir William Burton and Mr. Hugh Goodson have given their orders to Clyde yards.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7)
epicurean—domesday—Dolly Varden
equilibrist—doublon—erratic

Good Tennis Promised At Hongkong C.C.

Interesting tennis is promised at the Hongkong Cricket Club this afternoon when the Colony Tennis Championships will be resumed after the Easter holidays.

On the stand court, Lee Yue-wing and Ho Ka-lau will meet T. A. Pearce and W. A. H. Duff once again. The first meeting, on Thursday last, was abandoned with the scores 15-13, 0-6, 5-5 (Chinese scores first). Those who saw the match certainly had their money's worth, and if to-day's encounter proves just as interesting, all local tennis enthusiasts are recommended to see it.

Two other "open" matches are also scheduled to be played on outside courts. One is the doubles match between the two undergraduates, Lam Thiam-tet and Stephen Wong, and the Recreio pair, A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios. The other is the singles tie between Tsai Yun-pai and A. Crawford.

The following is the programme to-day:

Open Doubles
Lee Yue-wing and V. A. Pearce and Ho Ka-lau W. A. H. Duff (stand court)
Lam Thiam-tet and V. A. V. Gosano and Stephen Wong J. J. Remedios
Tsai Yun-pai V. A. Crawford
Club Championship
H. J. Armstrong V. L. J. S. Theobald
T. J. Gould V. L. Goldman
T. J. Price V. W. Wooding
Mixed Doubles
Mr. & Mrs. Walk V. H. J. Scull and Mrs. Shaw
W. Sander and V. V. R. Gordon and Miss A. Taylor Mrs. Sheehan

Dutch Hockey Team Beat Scotland

Amsterdam, Apr. 10.
The Netherlands hockey team today beat Scotland 4-0. Halftime The Dutch played extremely well, especially the forwards who were very fast and technically better than the Scots.—Trans-Ocean.

Polo Win For Hurlingham

San Francisco, Apr. 9.
The Hurlingham polo team won the Golden Gate International Exposition Polo title to-day, by beating a West team by 11-10 after overtime. Hasketh Hughes scored the deciding goal.—United Press.

BUDGE STILL AHEAD

Phoenix, Ariz., Apr. 9.
Fred Perry defeated Donald Budge 6-3 6-3 bringing the total of the series, thus far, Perry 5 and Budge 11 matches.—United Press.

EARMUFFS CUSHION

CLEVELAND, O.
Frank J. Breen, 62, reports a good thing to have on your head when somebody tries to slug you with a blackjack is a stocking cap with earmuffs. Breen told police he was slugged twice one night by robbers who escaped with \$35. He said the padding of his earmuffs prevented serious injury.



One of the best scenes in "You Can't Take It With You," the best picture of 1938, now showing at the King's Theatre. Millionaire and poor man are thrown into prison for disturbing the peace.

Rifle Shooting

Alterations For Annual Prize Meet

Owing to unforeseen heavy entries for the Annual Prize Meeting of the Hongkong Rifle Association, the following alterations have been made to the programme:
Saturday, April 15
Shooting will commence on all Ranges at 8.30 a.m.
The President's Cup will commence at 9 a.m.
The Secretary's Cup will follow immediately, approximately 10.30 a.m.
Final of Individual Service Championship will follow immediately, approximately 11.30 a.m.
The lunch interval will be from 12-1.30
The Council Cup will commence at 1.30 p.m.
The Army and Navy Cup will follow immediately, approximately 3.15 p.m.
Sunday, April 16
The Blackdown will commence at 8.40 a.m.
The Camberley will follow immediately, approximately 10.20.
The Bagshot will follow immediately, approximately 11.45.
(X) The Stickle-down is brought forward from Monday and will commence at 2.15 p.m.
The "Veterans" Etc. will follow the Stickle-down at approximately 4.15 p.m.
The International Match will be fired concurrently with the Blackdown and Camberley. Any number of teams may be entered and must be declared before firing commences. Team Cards will be obtained from the Chief Executive Officer's Tent any time after 12 noon on Saturday. These must be handed in to the Statistical Tent by 5 p.m. on Sunday April 16.
Note:—S. R. (a) "M" Competitors have been squadded on No. 3 Range for the following competitions:
Bagshot 11.45 on April 16.
Stickle-down 2.30 on April 16.
Brookwood 9.00 on April 17.
Siberia 10.30 on April 17.
Unlimited Competitions have therefore been restricted; range and times for these will be published on notice boards on the Ranges.

Bowling Records

Mrs. E. Soong, who has been conspicuously successful at Duck Pins at the Hongkong Bowling Alleys, returned the best score for women for the month of March, chalking up 103 points. Mr. P. Chessex was the most successful in the men's division, scoring 142.
Mrs. S. A. Ismail topped the women's scores in her Ten Pins game, recording a score of 192, while Mr. J. S. Landolt topped the men's section with 240.

By Ernie Bushmiller

Badminton Tournay Comes To A Close Thursday Evening

The Hongkong badminton championships will be brought to a close to-morrow and on Thursday when the finals will be played at Club de Recreio and Taikoo.

The matches promise to provide badminton well on a par with the best yet seen here. To-morrow's two ties at Club de Recreio consist of the men's junior singles and the mixed doubles.

The former match starts at 8.30 and the contestants are S. H. Boone and David Kwok. The high level of play in the earlier rounds has been a feature of the innovation of this event, and the final is certain to produce some exciting rallies.

Possibly, however, chief interest will be centred on the mixed doubles encounter, where old foes meet. P. K. Hui and Miss U. Khoo of the University, who are holders of the title, will once again be challenged by the leading Recreio combination, M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva.

WELL MATCHED

They are so well matched that one hesitates to make a confident prediction of the outcome. Hui's craftsmanship is a by-word in local badminton, but many followers feel that Oliveira's pertinacity and speed about the court is a good offset, and in a match of this type may well upset the champion. The lady contestants are well matched. Both play the short game with confidence and skill, and if Miss Khoo's anticipation is possible a trifle livelier than Miss Silva's, the latter has a slight advantage in her ability to keep the rallies going.

Equally worth while will be the journey to Taikoo on Thursday, when the men's senior singles and men's doubles finals are decided.

Hui will have a busy evening, defending both titles. In the singles, which starts off the evening's entertainment at 8.30, he meets Charlie Au, brilliant Chinese "Y" exponent, who has shown such improved form this year that he is capable of giving the champion just as severe a hustling as did Patrick Wong. Hui's unruffled temperament and wide experience of match play should be a great asset to him in such a "needle" match, but beyond this he will need to have his strokes in their best working order to overcome the brainy Au, whose performances in the preceding rounds have been highly impressive. This should be the match of the season.

ALL-UNIVERSITY AFFAIR

After a suitable interval, Hui will take the court again, this time with his partner K. L. Yung to do battle against P. S. Bun and M. S. Lim, another University combination, in the final of the men's doubles.

Olympics

BRITAIN APPEALS FOR FUNDS

Plans for raising money for Britain's participation in the Olympic Games in Finland next year were discussed at the annual meeting of the British Olympic Association.
It was stated that £8,000 or £9,000 would be required, and Lord Portal, the president, Lord Burghley, Lord Aberdare, and Sir Noel Curless, Bennett were among those who made suggestions as to the best method of launching an appeal.

Lord Portal referred to the fact that Britain's application to organise the 1944 Games would be considered at the next meeting of the International Olympic Federation Council in London on June 5-8.
"There is no question that the Games can be held in London in the way that they were intended to be organised—as a really fine sporting show," said Lord Portal.

A. D. HUMPHREYS WINS SHANGHAI VISITORS' CUP

The Shanghai Visitors' Cup was won by A. D. Humphreys, Jr., with the round score of 167-20, 141. His second round of 80 was a very good one and he was out in 37, or one over par.

Conditions were on the whole pleasant, but there was a very strong wind and with the grass beginning to grow the greens seemed to trou-

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Hockey

SHANGHAI CHAMPIONS DEFEATED

Shanghai, Apr. 10.
The visiting Hongkong Women's Interport Team beat the Greens, champions of the Shanghai Women's Hockey League, by eight goals to one at Kailow Park this afternoon.
At half time the Hongkong team led by four goals to one. Scorers for Hongkong were Mrs. Read 4, Miss Harker 2, Miss Gieg 1, and Miss Westcott 1.

The Hongkong team will be entertained to an Interport dinner and dance at the Shanghai Race Club to-morrow night.—Reuter.
United Press adds that Hongkong displayed excellent team work, passing accurately. Their play was also featured by the speed at which they smashed through the Greens' defence. The Greens seemed disorganised, failing to reveal anything of the expected team work. They were also puzzled by Hongkong's short passes, powerful attacks and deadly shooting.

Mrs. Read scored the first and second goals for Hongkong, then Miss Harker tallied, followed by Miss Gieg. The Greens replied for the first time through Miss Mary Sheridan. In the second half Mrs. Read scored two goals and Miss Westcott and Miss Harker each one.

ble players more than they usually do.

Subject to re-check, leading scores were:
A. D. Humphreys (13) 74 & 87=141
R. K. Valentini (10) 72 & 74=146
S. W. C. Shuen (10) 71 & 75=146
D. L. Prophet (14) 70 & 77=147
D. S. Edwards (4) 73 & 75=148
J. Harrow (9) 72 & 76=148
E. T. McMullen (6) 71 & 73=150
C. H. Burton (10) 76 & 73=151
C. M. Park (9) 70 & 73=143
Col. G. Howland (20) 73 & 80=153
H. N. Williamson (13) 71 & 81=152
G. M. Park (9) 70 & 73=143

Prophet wins the prize for the best morning round and McMullen for the best afternoon round, the tie with T. Low being decided on the last nine holes.

Hole in One
Mrs. Eldon, Potter, playing with her husband, holed the third on the Relief Course at Fanning in one on Friday, April 7.

SPORT ADVTS

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Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Third Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 22nd April, 1939 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.
Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 13th April, 1939.

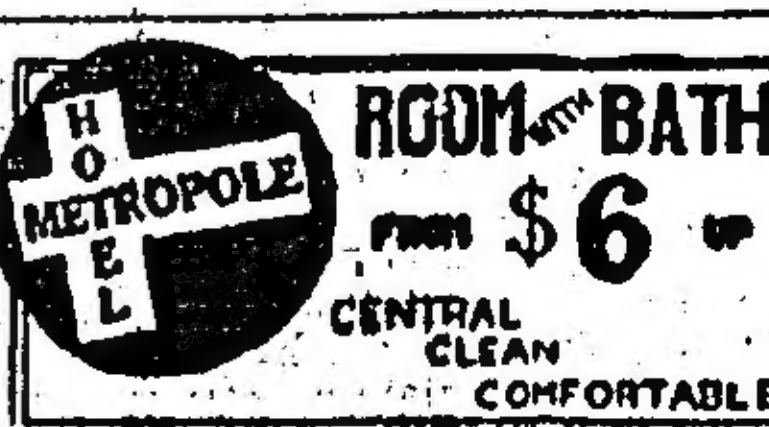
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us, in a hundred years' time the arrangement. The mothers had an
population of Great Britain will have abundance of brothers and sisters to
been reduced from 48 millions to 5 turn to, and the children had numer-
millions. Britain, therefore, is ous small groups of cousins.
gradually committing suicide. It was the extremists of that
Something will have to be done generation who invented the only
about it, the statisticians say. But child.
what? The German plan of mar- I believe that my own generation
riage loans, a third of which are want larger families than our mothers
cancelled to the parents at the birth did. We have experienced the lon-
of each child, would not, I believe, ges of the only child. We try, too,
appeal to British mothers and fathers, to study motherhood as a science,
As a typical young Scots mother, I and have come to regard it as a duty
think that nothing will ever bring to our first child to provide him with
again the huge families of my grand- at least one brother or sister, and
mother's day, unless the clock is put more, if possible.
back and women's freedom taken Bringing children into the world
away. Not even an act of great has been made easier. Running a
patriotism, and with the economic home, even drudgery. But in spite of
question solved, would young wives all that the birth rate is still falling.

A Place in the Sun

Our mothers, with a new sense of responsibility towards both them-
selves and their families, brought far fewer children into the world. They
wanted to give each of them a chance of healthful upbringing and good
education, and a place in the econo-
mic scheme of things higher than
their own. Their attitude, I think,
was a revolution from the Victorian
family life they had known them-
selves.

They thought in terms of family
life, of course, and not in terms of
world problems. The Great War
was about to break of them, but they
knew almost nothing of war. They
would have had to ask you the mean-
ing of unemployment.

They were, simply in love with the
idea of a woman being saved from
the drudgery of a dozen babies, and be-
ing able to heap advantages on a

SHORT CUTS

Soda and other unsweetened
crackers may be used to make
savory stuffing for roast meats,
poultry, stuffed tomatoes, green
peppers, onion and eggplant.

Add a sliced apple when cooking
sauerkraut to make the sauerkraut
less sharp. Red cabbage is also im-
proved by the inclusion of chopped
apple, which removes the coarse
flavour.

To remove the stickiness from
dates, pour hot water over them
and allow to dry before serving.

Scratches and white spots on a
shellacked floor may be removed by
wiping with a little alcohol.

FEMININITY is to be the keynote
of 1939 spring fashions to judge
from the houses which showed their
collections recently.

To wear the new styles success-
fully, you must have a well-rounded
bustline, slim waist and slender hips.
You must have a neat legs also, for
skirts are shorter.

But to balance this note of ab-
breviation, they are wide at the hem,
which makes them easier to wear
than those which are very short and
very tight as well.

Tailors have shown themselves
adept at making even striped and
checked suits look feminine by work-
ing them in different ways.

There was even a feminine note
about a divided skirt—skirt was
grey—you'd hardly tell it was divid-
ed, blouse top was pale yellow and it
was worn with a full-length circular
cloak, also in yellow.

Some cleverly-cut skirts are shaped
just like umbrellas, the ribs being in-
dicated by vertical tucks.

Yellow is to be a favourite colour
for summer woollens.

Original detail on a long cloth
redingote in yellow was a large
square hip pocket in beaver fur.

Collars for daytime frocks are very
high. Silhouette has been described
as that of naughty ninety-six-year-
olds.



Of course, it was bound to come.
The dove as a symbol of peace has
been replaced by the Prime Minister's
umbrella, so that's the theme of this
fine black woollen creation flashed
from the fashion front last night.
The skirt is umbrella-shaped, and
small, white pique umbrellas from
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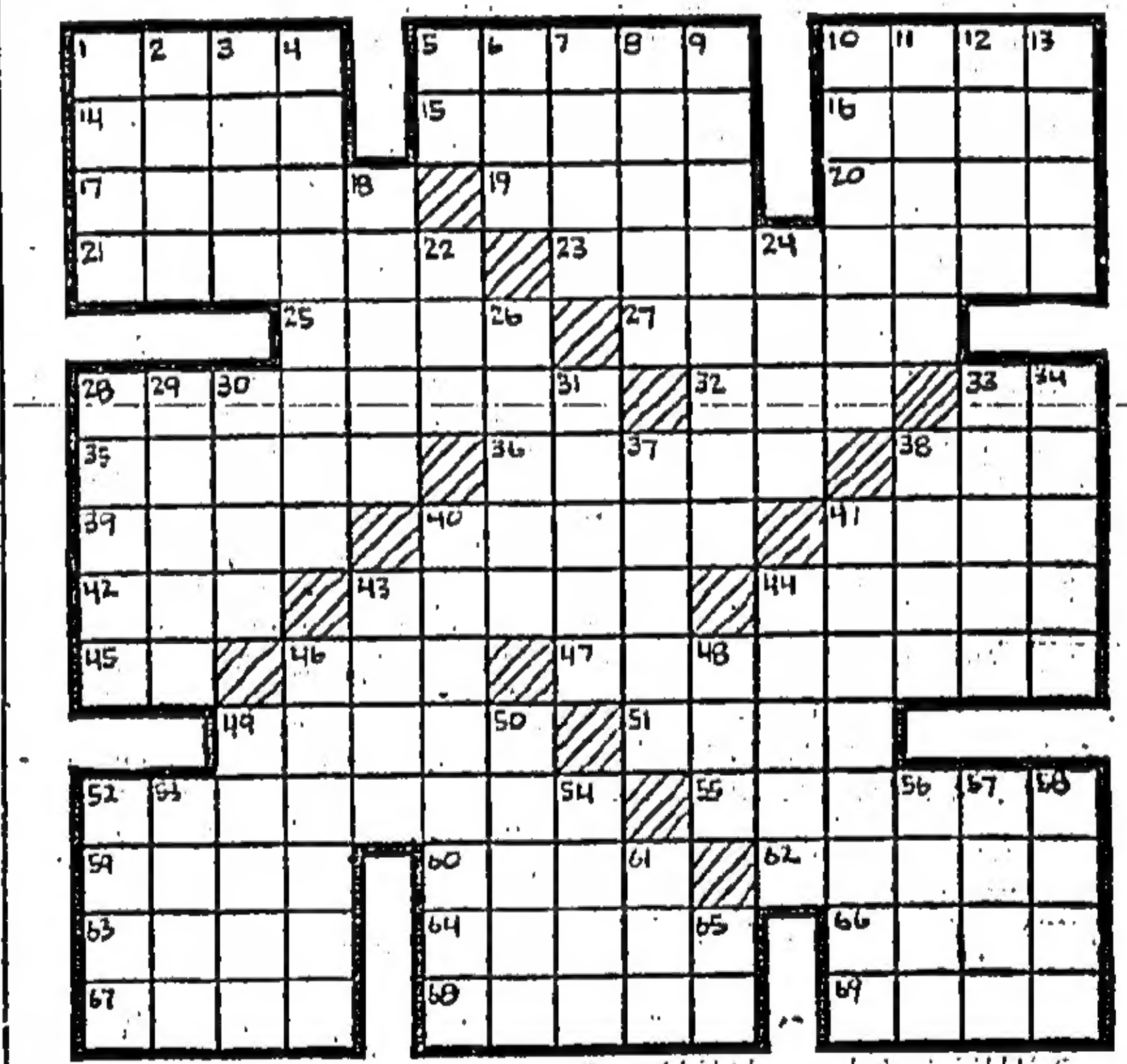
By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- Peaceful
- Broad bowl
- Flows out
- Open space
- That which is spent
- Woody plant
- Wash in water
- Round doc of action
- Home
- Tail in idle talk
- Swampy area of earth
formed by mole
- Lubricating fluids
- Made of oak wood
- Wraps around with
sashes
- Color of Russian
- Ball
- Butter eggs
- Unwanted plank
- Prate before
- War precaution
- Disinfects
- Set of clothes
- Chilly
- Elegant's condescendence
- Of high mass per
unit volume
- Unit of mass
- Blatant
- Unhappy
- Translucent sub-
stance
- Female relative
- Fate out
- One of various wild
goats (Latin)
- Unit of structure of
body framework
- Complete with

DOWN

- Manage
- Smallest particle
- Saline house
- Participating to follow
of wealth, English
reform of 14th
century
- Entered by use of
acid
- Latin letter of body
- Rhinoceros
- Transact business
- Supper
- Pipe connection
- Place out
- One who stitches
- Hoarse state
- Hoarse mammal
- Dead cowbird
- Discriminating
committee
- Set up
- 39.37 inches
- Drop
- Click in football
- Postscripting discri-
- Condition
- Machine army in
position
- Small drop
- Keel-ear
- Plant
- Part of plant
- Widespread
- Blackish seed
- Extremely carminative
- Do the bidding of
- Thompson character
- Wicked
- Parting ribbon
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Police Awards By Governor

The annual inspection of the H.K. Police by His Excellency the Governor took place this afternoon. His Excellency was greeted by a Guard of Honour under A. S. P. Bidneed and A. S. P. Senle. A square was formed by contingents under A.S.P.s Callthrop, Wilson and Brooker. The Acting Commissioner, Mr. C. G. Perdue, was in charge of the parade, assisted by A.D.C.P. W. R. Scott.

The principal award was that of the H. K. Police Silver Medal to Lance Sergeant A. 208 F. Roberts, for zealous efficiency and fine courage in rescuing a Chinese woman from a burning cargo junk laden with gasoline near the A.P.C. Wharf on June 15 last year.

Other medals were presented as follows:

COLONIAL POLICE LONG SERVICE MEDAL

Inspector—A. V. Baker.
Inspector—A. L. Hopkins.
Inspector—S. Shepherd.
Inspector—E. G. Post.
Inspector—S. C. Saunders.
Sub-Inspector—H. G. Hallam.

"B" CONTINGENT

First Bar To The Colonial Police Long Service Medal

Lance Sergeant B.112 Zaman Ali.

Colonial Police Long Service Medal

Sergeant Major Banta Singh.

Sergeant B.17 Nathay Khan.

Sergeant B.307 Kapoor Singh.

Sergeant B.441 Gulam Mohamed.

Lance Sergeant B.370 Khushi Mohamed.

Constable B.438 Atta Mohamed.

"C" CONTINGENT

First Bar To The Colonial Police Long Service Medal

Sergeant C.125 Lam Kwan.

Colonial Police Long Service Medal

Sergeant C.558 Chan Pul.

Sergeant C.203 Tsol Yee.

Lance Sergeant C.523 Pang Chi.

Lance Sergeant C.152 Kwok Kum.

Lance Sergeant C.88 Chin Pul.

Lance Sergeant C.518 Chu Wo.

Lance Sergeant C.563 Wong Kuan Ling.

Constable C.528 Chan On.

Constable C.76 Tang Yu.

Constable C.541 Chan Kiu.

DISTRICT WATCH FORCE MEDALS

First Class D. W. Medal

Head District Watchman Tsui Hin for long and faithful service.

Second Class D. W. Medal

Detective D.W.115 Chan Kwang for excellent work during his period of service which commenced on the 20th September, 1931.

Detective D.W.18 Chan Yat for long and faithful service.

Third Class D. W. Medal

D.W.3 Tong Kwai for long and faithful service.

D.W.70 Tang Wu for long and faithful service.

Detective D.W.61 Wong Shun Tsung for long and faithful service.

D.W.22 Lok Po for long and faithful service.

H.E.'s Commendations

"A" CONTINGENT

Lance Sergeant A.21 H. R. Terrett

"for courage and devotion to duty on 2.12.38, when he attempted to close with a Chinese male armed with a pistol, and sustained a gunshot wound in consequence."

Lance Sergeant A.216 A. E. G. Wheeler, Lance Sergeant A.30 C. S. Pile, Lance Sergeant A.72 G. Davies, Lance Sergeant A.145 H. Goldie, Lance Sergeant A.110 A. A. Shaw, Lance Sergeant A.104 V. M. Morrison, Lance Sergeant A.107 F. L. Willison, Police Sergeant B.441 Gulam Mohamed, Lance Sergeant B.332 Bant Singh, Lance Sergeant B.2 Soran Singh, Constable B.658 Nabl Bux, Constable B.703 Chuan Singh, Constable B.400 Hardial Singh, Constable B.261 Bahadur Singh, Sub-Inspector Ho Sau Yick, Constable C.66 Wong Yau, Constable C.502 Kong Hing, all for zeal and devotion to duty during the Sino-Japanese incident on the Frontier on 26th November, 1938.

Lance Sergeant C.518 Chu Wo, Constable C.108 Tang Ka, Constable C.207 Chan Chi, all for courage and devotion to duty on 20.10.38. These officers at great personal risk, conducted a careful and successful search for a dangerous gang of armed robbers knowing that the robbers might shoot on sight. This gang had earlier in the day attempted to hold up and rob a motor van which was conveying the monthly pay roll of the Lin Ma Hang Mine from Kowloon to the mine. At November, 1938, Criminal Sessions three members of the gang were found guilty of Attempted Murder and sentenced to 10 years U.L. each.

LATE NEWS

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The effects of the Anglo-Polish pact on the traditional friendship between Poland and Hungary, and the unsettled relations with Rumania, are likely to play a prominent part in the Rome conference.

Soon after the visit to Rome, the Hungarian statesmen will visit Berlin in order to emphasise the profound friendship between Hungary and Germany.—Reuter.

NETHERLANDS SAFEGUARDS

AMSTERDAM, Apr. 11.—Netherlands frontier battalions have been called up as a precautionary measure. Dr. Collin, the Premier, broadcasting to the people of the Netherlands this morning, is expected to urge them to keep calm.—Reuter.

Offensive Not Yet Launched

CHUNGKING, Apr. 11.—Well-informed sources state that reports of a general Chinese counter-offensive which are widely circulating are still premature, although it is true that the Chinese forces in several sectors have been ordered to make offensive moves for strategic reasons.

Meanwhile, the Chinese are anticipating a determined Japanese drive for the complete occupation of the Canton-Hankow Railway. It is believed that the Japanese will concentrate their efforts on an attack on the northern section of the railway, with a combined drive towards Changsha, the Hunan capital, from Hupeh and Kiangsi provinces.

After this, the Japanese will probably attempt to push southwards towards Canton along the railway. The situation on the West River front is reported to be tense following a surprise Japanese move, in which the Japanese at Samshui are taking a circuitous route in attempting to launch a flank attack on Wuchow, the important treaty port on the West River at the Kwangsi border.—Reuter.

\$285 DAMAGES FOR GIRL

Judgment for Miss Molly Chan, with costs, was awarded by Mr. Justice Lindell this afternoon in the claim for \$1,000 damages for assault against Karel Weiss, Manager of Messrs. Rolny.

Mr. Justice Lindell fixed damages at \$85 special and \$200 general.

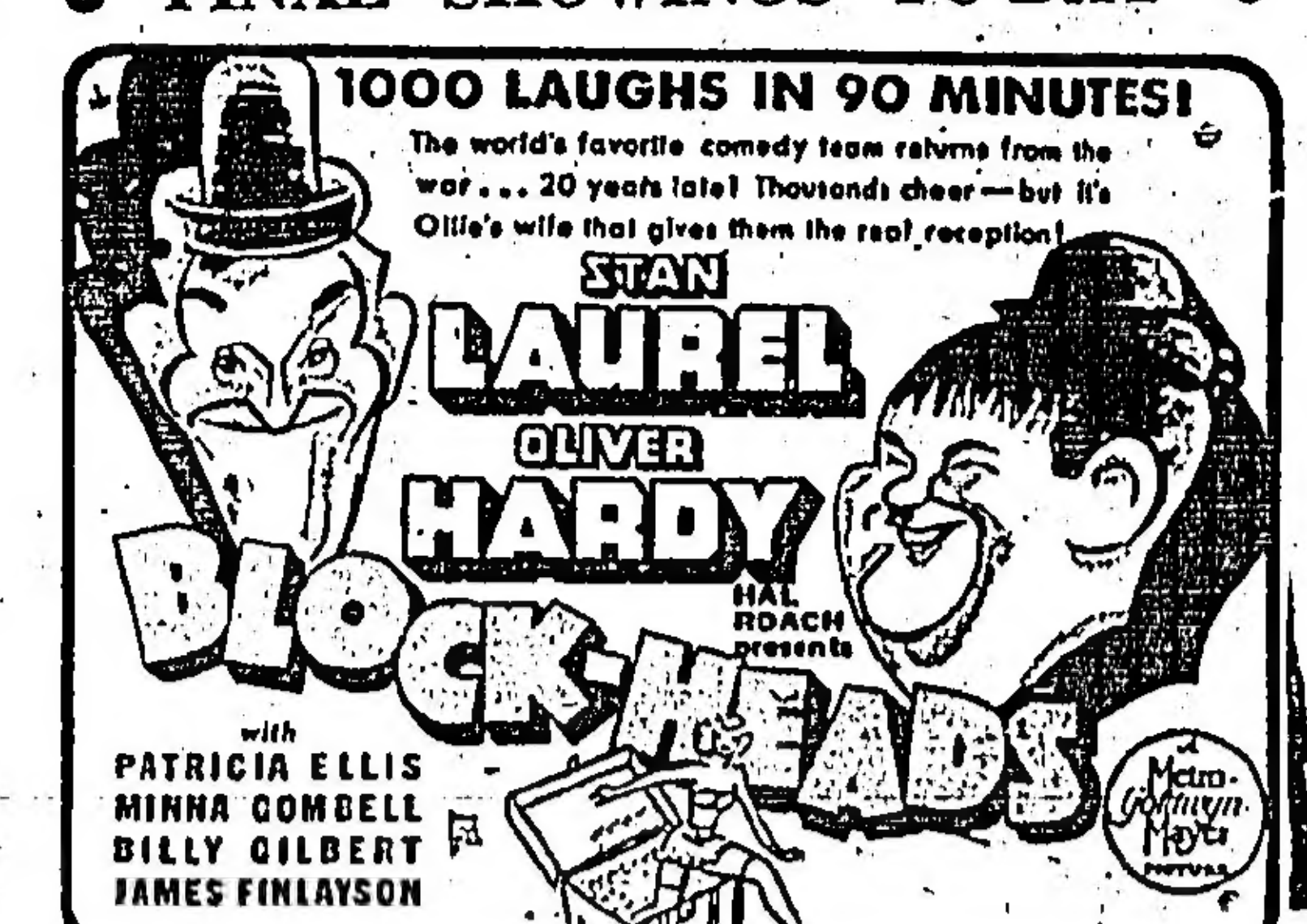
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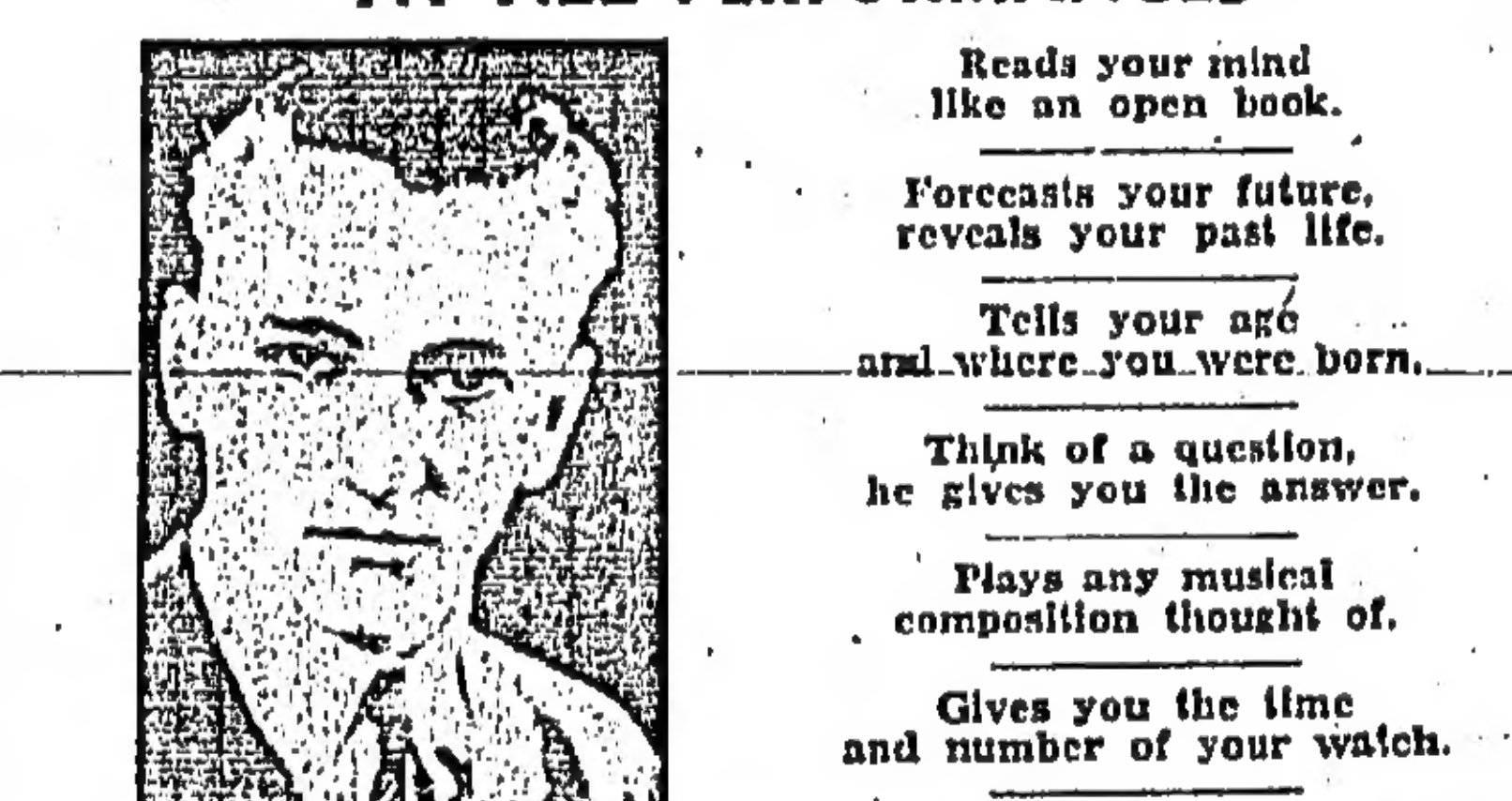


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Anna Neagle In Film Of Marie Lloyd

Mr. Herbert Wilcox, producer of the Queen Victoria films, recently arrived in London from America with impressive arrangements for the financial backing of his picture. He said that in two years he spent £450,000 on making pictures without getting a penny from a British bank. When he wanted an advance of £10,000 it was refused him; yet when he asked the Bank of America for £105,000 on the same security he received credits for that amount within 48 hours.

NEW COMPANY He had just announced the latest plans for the new company, Imperial Pictures, in which he is associated with the Hollywood concern, R.K.O. Radio.

The first of Imperial's pictures in this country will be "Kitchen of Khartoum," in Technicolor.

Anna Neagle's first Hollywood picture under the new Wilcox arrange-

ment will probably be a story around the career of Marie Lloyd. Hollywood experts are confident of its appeal if Cary Grant can be secured to play Alec Hurley, the comical comedian, whom Marie Lloyd married.

The two Queen Victoria films produced by Mr. Wilcox have returned so far about £625,000 to the distributors.

LITERARY BIBLIOGRAPHY PHILADELPHIA. A WPA project designed to compile the first complete bibliography of American literature is underway at the University of Pennsylvania, according to Dr. Arthur Holson Quinn. He said a staff of 40 would require two to five years to complete the work.

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